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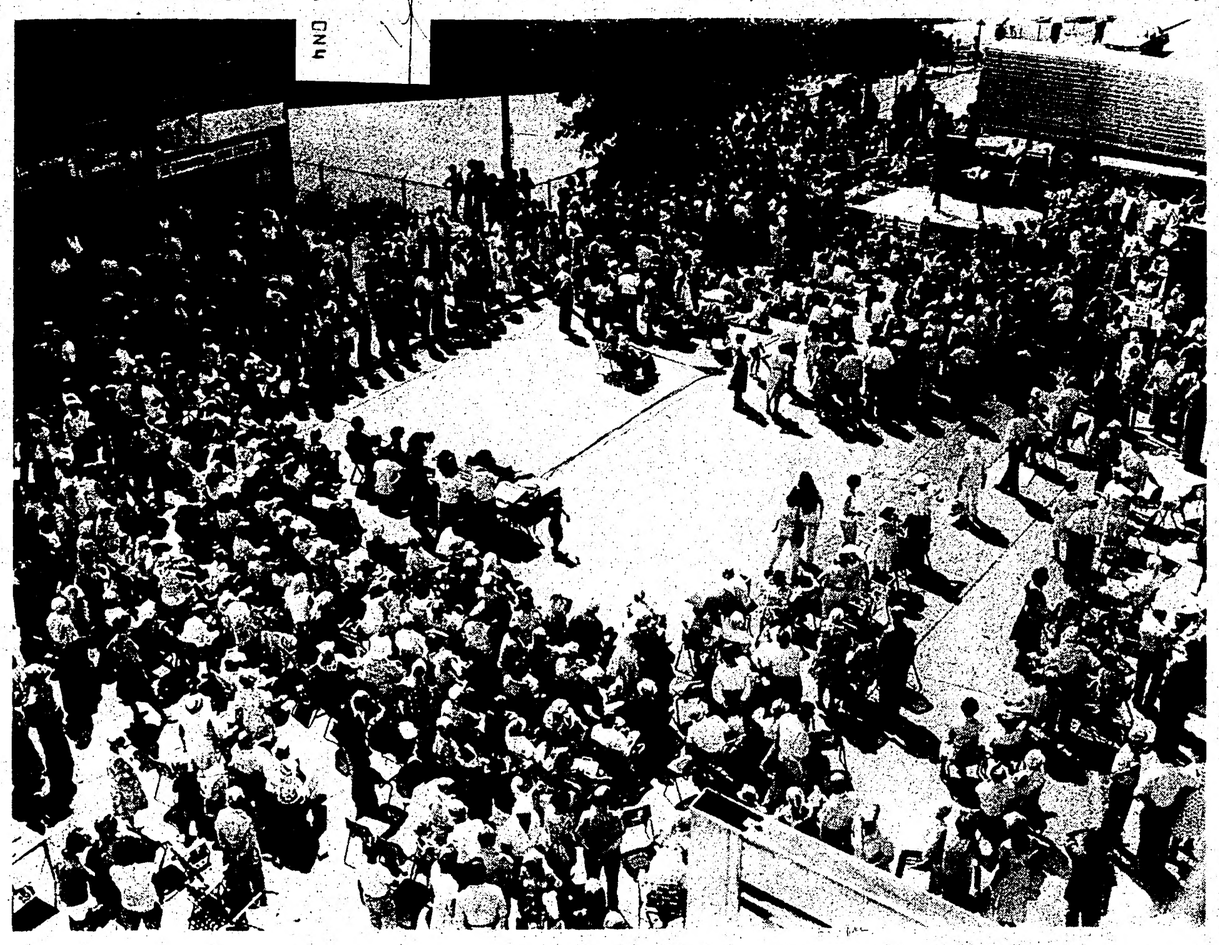

Scharansky's trial attacked by Ottawa

OTTAWA —

In a hard-hitting statement which barely came within the bounds of diplomatic language, the Canadian government has expressed its "concern and disappointment" over the trial of activist Anatoly Scharansky which began Monday.

The clearly implied condemnation of Soviet policy runs throughout the statement issued by External Affairs Minister Donald Jamieson. An Israeli embassy spokesman in Ottawa voiced gratification over the tenor of the statement.

It reads: "The secretary of state for external affairs, the Hon. Donald Jamieson, declared July 5 that the government of Canada is deeply concerned and disappointed that the Soviet Union has chosen to ignore its offer to accept Anatoly Scharansky in Canada, and to proceed with his trial.

"The fact that Scharansky's attempt to emigrate to Israel and to monitor Soviet implementation of the Helsinki Final Act have led to charges of treason cannot but have serious negative consequences for the detente process.

"This trial directly contravenes the spirit of the Helsinki Final Act by which all signatories agreed to respect human rights and fundamental freedoms. It also calls into question the commitment of the Soviet Union to the Final Act and the process of detente which is linked to it.

"The presence in Canada of a number of Mr. Scharansky's relatives and wide Canadian concern for him makes it inevitable that Canada-USSR relations will also suffer as a result of the trial.

"At a time when we should be working towards increasing confidence and eliminating sources of tension, the reported trials of Soviet citizens for activities in defence of their basic human rights are harmful and counter-productive in that they will serve only to foster distrust.

"The Canadian government is equally concerned to learn that Alexander Ginzburg will be brought to trial."

Telegrams were sent by Canadian Jewish Congress, B'nai B'rith and Toronto relatives of Scharansky to the USSR. Protests took place in Toronto and Montreal.

Meanwhile, in Jerusalem, on Thursday, Prof. Irwin Cotler was scheduled to announce that, as a counsel to Scharansky, he was petitioning the procurator general of the USSR for the dissident's immediate release.

In a prepared statement released to The CJN as it went to press Tuesday, the McGill law professor said the petition would identify 20 major violations of Soviet and international law committed by USSR authorities, including: abuse of criminal justice in the matter of arrest and detention; denial of constitutional rights to a full and fair defence and denial of equality before the law and political rights.

"Scharansky . . . is the conscience of the Soviet gulag," Cotler told reporters at the apartment of the activist's wife Avital and her brother, Mischa Schtiglitz. "If we do our part this will end up not as a trial of Anatoly Scharansky, but as a trial of gulag justice. It will be the Soviet Union who will be in the dock, and it will be the Soviet Union that will stand accused."

Leading clergymen supporting a plan for a mission to Moscow

TORONTO [Staff] —

Several leading Christian clergymen are supporting a proposed mission to Moscow to plead for clemency and reunification of Soviet citizens with their Canadian families.

Among supporters of the mission, under the auspices of B'nai B'rith's League for Human Rights, are: Rt. Rev. Lewis Garnsworthy, Anglican bishop of Toronto; Most Rev. E.W. Scott, primate of the Anglican Church of Canada and Rev. Eoin Mackay, who said the objective of the mission appears to coincide exactly with a statement by the Canadian Council of Churches.

Philosophy professor William Dunphy, of St. Michael's College, University of Toronto, joined with league director Rev. Roland de Corneille to convene an emergency meeting of spiritual leaders, who regularly met during the year to meet with Dina Beilina, the Soviet Refusenik who visited Canada recently. Mrs. Beilina was arrested and then suddenly released and given a long awaited exit visa from the Soviet Union.

De Corneille, who is organizing the mission to Moscow said that in Canada the Jewish community has carried a disproportionate burden in educating the public, creating awareness and arousing activity to communicate with and help those in the Soviet Union.

"For this reason," he said, "the league, which has as its major function and role in relating with the non-Jewish community, is in an ideal position to involve the total community in this project."

While Mrs. Beilina was in Toronto a meeting was arranged with Multiculturalism Minister Norman Cafik, who praised the mission proposal as a good method of bringing additional leverage to bear, and to heighten sensitivity on the part of world public opinion.

Cafik told Mrs. Beilina and others at the meeting that because Canada voiced concern on the failure of Soviet compliance at the recent Belgrade conference on the Helsinki agreement, he was personally attacked in the Soviet press.

Project Genesis birthday party is colorful fete

MONTREAL [Staff] —

Project Genesis, a largely volunteer citizens' rights group, celebrated the first anniversary of its Victoria Avenue offices with a lively street festival lasting more than five hours.

Over 2,000 persons shared in the Sunday afternoon festivities which featured a refreshing mixture of French Canadian, black cantorial and Chassidic entertainment. The host for the colorful event was Thomas Schnurmacher, CJAD radio personality.

Also on hand for the occasion was Montreal Mayor Jean Drapeau. Member of the National Assembly (MNA) John Ciaccia and Montreal city councillors Abe Cohen and Arnold Bennett. Messages of congratulations were read from Prime Minister Trudeau and Federal-Provincial Affairs Minister Marc Lalonde.

Over the past year, Project Genesis has helped over 800 residents of the Snowdon-Cote des Neiges district with problems related to rent control, pension and legal matters as well as information on low-cost housing and government welfare.

An additional 500 individuals have been aided through outreach work conducted on a daily basis. Block Parent, recreation and pre-school programs have also been initiated in response to the expressed needs of the citizens in the area.

The success of the street celebration, according to Project Genesis President Jim Torczyner, surpassed "all expectations." Torczyner, a McGill professor of social work, said that seeking co-operation between black, French and Jewish groups in the community, as reflected in the range of musical entertainment, has been a major goal of the three-year-old citizens' rights group.

"We've shown it here today," said Torczyner. "We've shown it everyday for the last year through our work at Project Genesis' storefront offices."

Torczyner singled out Allied Jewish Community Services for praise, referring to the social services agency as the "catalyst" which "has helped bring diverse segments of the entire community together."

Last September, AJCS granted Project Genesis $50,000 for a two-year period to promote the rights of Snowdon-Cotes des Neiges residents, many of whom are elderly and on fixed incomes.

(Sam Blum Photos)

A street festival Sunday marked the first anniversary of Project Genesis' permanent premises on Victoria Avenue. Mayor and Mrs. Jean Drapeau were among those taking part. With them is Jim Torczyner, president of the volunteer citizens' rights group of the AJCS.

Egyptian proposal

Following is the official English translation of part of Egyptian proposals released in Cairo.

— The establishment of a just and lasting peace in the Middle East necessitates a just solution of the Palestinian question in all its aspects, on the basis of the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people and taking into consideration the legitimate security concerns of all the parties.

— Talks shall take place between Egypt, Jordan, Israel and representatives of the Palestinian people, with the participation of the UN, with a view to agreeing upon: details of the transitional regime, timetable for the Israeli withdrawal; mutual security arrangements for all the parties concerned during and following the transitional period; modalities for the implementation of relevant UN resolutions on Palestinian refugees and other issues considered appropriate by all parties.

— Israel shall withdraw from the West Bank (including Jerusalem) and the Gaza Strip, occupied since June 1967. The Israeli withdrawal applies to the settlements established in the occupied territories.

— The Israeli military government in the West Bank and Gaza Strip shall be abolished at the outset of the transitional period. Supervision over the administration of the West Bank shall become the responsibility of Jordan and supervision over the administration of the Gaza Strip shall become the responsibility of Egypt.

— Jordan and Egypt shall carry out their responsibility in co-operation with freely-elected representatives of the Palestinian people who shall exercise direct authority over the administration of the West Bank and Gaza. The UN shall supervise and facilitate the Israeli withdrawal and the restoration of Arab authority.

Israel rejects Sadat plan; Dayan heads to London

JERUSALEM —

Israel has rejected as "completely unacceptable" President Sadat's peace proposal calling for withdrawal from the West Bank, Gaza Strip and East Jerusalem for an interim five-year period, while the political status of the Palestinian population is decided.

But the Israeli cabinet, meeting over the weekend, accepted an invitation from the United States to send Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan to London for talks with Secretary of State Cyrus Vance and Egyptian Foreign Minister Mohammed Ibrahim Kamel.

Regarding Israel's position on the Egyptian plan, a statement issued by the office of the Israeli ambassador to Canada, Mordechai Shalev, read:

"The so-called 'peace proposals' submitted by Egypt are not peace proposals at all, but rather, as indicated in the preamble, 'proposals relative to withdrawal from the West Bank and Gaza'.

"The Egyptian proposal calls for the withdrawal by Israel to the 1967 lines, contrary to Resolution 242 (and, incidentally, contrary to the U.S. interpretation of 242, let alone Israel's).

"It also calls for the partition of Jerusalem, the capital of Israel. There is no mention of a peace agreement between Egypt and Israel and only a vague reference to 'eventual security arrangements'.

"Although the PLO is not mentioned by name, the proposal calls for 'self-determination' for the Palestinian people, which means the establishment of a PLO state. Even the 'Aswan formula' refers only to 'Palestinian participation in the determination of their future'.

"The proposal envisages a major role for the UN, where the Arab countries have an automatic majority for the most extreme position. A reference to relevant UN resolutions on Palestinian refugees goes back to 1948 resolutions which are no longer relevant and the Arab interpretation of which has always been rejected by Israel. (The Arab interpretation is the return of the refugees to Israel.)

"This proposal is unacceptable to Israel and cannot serve as a basis for the establishment of peace in the Middle East, and for a peace agreement with Israel."

Meanwhile, in Washington, before the Israeli rejection of the Egyptian proposals, American officials were looking forward to a meeting between the Israeli and Egyptian foreign ministers with Cyrus Vance to reopen the Israeli-Egyptian negotiations that were broken off by President Anwar Sadat last January.

State Department spokesman Hodding Carter said the "U.S. will continue to be a facilitator" and "where necessary bridge" the gaps where it may be helpful. "If it came to an impasse, we might help to find a common avenue," Carter said, appearing to set aside the possibility that the U.S. would advance any proposals of its own.

Carter indicated that the United Nations will not be represented at the London meeting which will be held after the close of the Western economic summit talks in Bonn July 17. He said London was selected as the venue for the meeting because it was agreeable to all parties.

He noted that the U.S. is "not going to stand on any positions per se. We believe we have the basis for negotiations in the two plans."

In Geneva, UN Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim told UN correspondents that he was "skeptical" that the tripartite London meeting between Israel, Egypt and the U.S. would yield results. He said he favored a preparatory conference of all parties concerned in the Middle East leading to resumption of the Geneva conference.

Brochure said to contradict boycott policy

By TOBA KORENBLUM

OTTAWA —

The Ministry of Industry, Trade and Commerce has been circulating an informational brochure on Saudi Arabia containing a provision in direct conflict with the government's policy on economic boycotts announced 1½ years ago.

A ministry spokesman considers the contradictory contents of the publication to be a bureaucratic oversight. But Windsor West MP Herb Gray, who discovered the discrepancy, is "inclined to think" the department is not treating the boycott policy "with sufficient seriousness."

After Gray's complaint to Jack Horner, ministry of industry, trade and commerce, on June 28, an addendum was included to the booklet, "Markets for Canadian Exporters — Saudi Arabia," outlining the government's boycott policy.

The publication is one of 40 market booklets distributed by the ministry. Only one other Arab country — Iraq — is covered in the literature. Outlining statistical information and foreign government regulations on shipping and trade documents, the brochure on Saudi Arabia contains a passage on insurance certificates which reads:

"Two copies must be prepared by the insurance company stating that the company is not on the Arab blacklist. Both copies go to the Saudi consular authority in Canada, one is retained and one returned to the shipper."

Anthony Eyton, director-general of the Pacific, Asia and Africa Bureau of the ministry, admitted in a phone interview that the directive "looks to be a contradiction" to the government's boycott policy, announced in January, 1977.

He said the brochure, initially printed in 1976, was revised in 1977 — after the boycott policy was introduced — and some 500 copies had been distributed. "It was an error not to have had anything about the boycott policy," he said, and the oversight was already being corrected with the ministry mailing the government's position to those who have already received the publication.

Gray conceded that the problem could have been a "bureaucratic foul-up", but the constant critic of Ottawa's approach to the Arab boycott commented: "From some of the things Horner is quoted as saying, he hasn't understood the implications of allowing a discriminatory foreign law of an Arab country to affect Canadians."

Asked whether Horner's concessions of the boycott was filtering through his ministry, Gray replied: "Officials may draw conclusions (from the minister's statements)."

He questioned how the public could have confidence in the government's boycott measures if the Ministry of Industry, Trade and Commerce didn't display serious interest in the policy.

Howard Stanislawski, the Canada-Israel Committee's boycott specialist in Ottawa, said the brochure's contradictions were "an indication of a serious problem."

Noting that the booklet was revised four to five months after the government policy was released, he remarked: "It might have been an oversight, but even so, the concern is that the oversight is in such an important area where there should have been great caution."

Eyton noted that the marketing booklet merely duplicated the Saudi Arabian monetary authority circular for exporters and, inadvertently, it wasn't corrected or notated in the revised 1977 edition, when marginal changes in statistical information was made.

"I like to think we have been rigorous," he said regarding boycott policy, adding that there has been "an overreaction" to Ottawa's position and implementation of the guidelines.

"As far as I can see," the official said, "the policy has been effective in that the Canadian government is not aiding or abetting foreign economic boycotts."

Prison sentence for Soviet youth

NEW YORK [JTA] —

The Soviet Union has yet another Jewish prisoner of conscience, young Simon Shneerman of Kerch, sentenced to 2½ years for "draft evasion," according to the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry and Union of Councils for Soviet Jews.

Shneerman applied in July, 1977, to rejoin his father in Israel and was denied a visa on the grounds he had not completed his schooling at a technical institute. He reapplied five months later and was refused in February, 1978, this time on the grounds his mother and sister had not asked to leave. When they did he was arrested on May 31 and tried on June 27. The SSSJ and UCSJ reported that the defence lawyer and the judge acted as prosecutors.

Meanwhile former Prisoner of Conscience Anatoly Malkin of Moscow just released from a three-year sentence for refusing a punitive Red Army draft, has been threatened with another "draft evasion" trial. Malkin and his wife are denied visas to Israel on the grounds his parents have not given their consent to his emigration.

In other developments, the two groups said that Ida Nudel, herself sentenced two weeks ago to four years' internal exile, has refused to appeal the term as her form of protest.

Stanley Urman gets CJC post

MONTREAL [Staff] —

Stanley Urman, 29, a community development teacher and consultant, has been appointed assistant national director of Canadian Jewish Congress.

A former Congress employee handling Soviet Jewry affairs, the Montreal-born Urman spent the last year as a consultant to the federal government in his capacity as director of training for Katumavik, a work program. Concurrently, he was teaching community development at College Marie-Victorian.

He replaces Steve Ain who formerly held the post before his nomination to national executive director of Congress. Ain is now director of the first Canadian office of the Council of Jewish Federations, in Toronto.

Urman's responsibilities will parallel Ain's role at Congress, although personnel supervision will fall under the domain of Alan Rose, executive vice-president.

Educated at Herzliah High School and Sir George Williams, Urman received an MA in community development from Boston University. He put that training into practice as director of community development for Ville Marie Social Service Centre. While at university in Montreal he served as managing editor of the campus paper, The Georgian, while reporting on college sports for The Canadian Press.

Involved in Jewish community affairs as a layman, he was an executive member of the Canada-Israel Committee, Eastern Region and participated in youth work for the Canadian Zionist Federation. He is married to Frances Mankofsky and has a three-year-old daughter.

Officially on the job since July 4, he offered in a short phone interview some early reflections on Congress matters. Regarding the proposal to merge Congress, Eastern Region, with Allied Jewish Community Services, he said the concept "has great benefit, but I would hope that negotiations to operationalize the merger would allow both entities to remain secure and operate together and independently."

On the question of opening Congress executive meetings to the press, Urman said that he favored the idea and considered the press "responsible enough" to respect confidentiality on certain proscribed matters.

On his first day in the post, Urman was in Toronto for his initial national officers meeting, where Eastern Region officials recommended that the

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World News

Series proves popular

NEW YORK [JTA] —

Burt Cohen, of World Vision Enterprises, which has the international broadcast rights to the NBC **Holocaust** series, says the program has been purchased by Brazil, Columbia, Venezuela, Puerto Rico, Guatemala and Panama.

Negotiatons are being conducted with the national television networks of all Latin American countries, he said. But negotiations in Argentina are presently at a standstill.

Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum, director of the inter-religious affairs department of the American Jewish Committee, who served as a consultant to NBC in the production of the Holocaust program, said that both the video cassettes and study guides prepared in connection with the program have been sent to Jewish leaders in Buenos Aires who are associated with the AJCommittee.

These leaders are negotiating with officials of the National Television Network in Argentina, urging them to purchase the film. The talks have continued even though the Argentine government closed the AJCommittee office in Buenos Aires last year.

Tanenbaum reported that the **Holocaust** script has been translated into Spanish and Portuguese and has made available to every Jewish community in Latin America.

The AJCommittee is also involved in an ongoing effort to introduce the series in many Third World countries. Thailand, South Korea and Japan have expressed interest in the program to date.

(Religious News Service photo)

Standing before the ageless message of Isaiah, Mr. and Mrs. Abram Balsham, recent newcomers to the U.S. from the Soviet Union, hold vigil across from United Nations. They are seeking the release of their son, Peter, and his family from Tashkent. USSR authorities had promised son would be able to leave.

Yadin wants to rehabilitate the slum areas found in Israel

By GIL SEDAN AND DAVID LANDAU

JERUSALEM [JTA] —

Deputy Premier Yigael Yadin told the Jewish Agency's seventh assembly that the master plan for the rehabilitation of 160 slum areas throughout Israel depended on a true partnership between Israel and the entire Jewish people.

The program, which would affect the lives of some 45,000 disadvantaged families, is the main topic on the assembly's agenda. It is a joint venture of the government and the Jewish Agency, to be implemented by a planning committee headed by Yadin.

Yadin, who is leader of the Democratic Movement for Change (DMC), explained that concept. He said the joint committee, consisting of an equal number of representatives of the Jewish Agency and of government ministries concerned with the absorption of immigrants and the welfare of the poor, was established to avoid the mistakes of the past.

He said that previously the problem was handled piecemeal by different ministries and agencies. "You cannot divide people according to ministries," he said, alluding apparently to new immigrants and that part of the established population that still lives in poverty.

He said that was the reason he insisted on a coordinating role when he accepted the office of deputy premier. "No plan will be carried out unless ratified by the planning committee," Yadin stressed.

He noted that the project is not concerned solely with the improvement of housing but will take a comprehensive approach to the problems of the disadvantaged.

It includes the development of infrastructure such as roads, fences, sewage, lighting, public parks, educational and religious institutions, centres for adult education, day care centres and community clubs offering activities for different age groups.

Housing Minister Gideon Patt told the assembly delegates later in the day that the renewal program would affect the lives of some 300,000 individuals, one-tenth of Israel's population.

He described the problems in slum areas which include a high crime rate, high birth rate, a high rate of unemployment and a large aged population as young families moved away to better themselves. He said the renewal program called for the complete clearing of some areas and a thorough renovation of others.

Israel Katz, minister of social betterment, stressed the overall social impact of the project. He said that along with building work, new sources of employment would have to be provided and new social services established to cater to elderly people beyond working age.

The Jewish Agency has committed world Jewry to raise half of the $1.2 billion required to carry out the project over the next 10 years without impinging on regular contributions to the United Jewish Appeal in the U.S. and Canada and the Keren Hayesod-United Israel Appeal in the rest of the world.

Air France sued by 64 at Entebbe

JERUSALEM [JCNS] —

Sixty-four Israeli passengers who were rescued by Israeli forces in the Entebbe raid two years ago have filed a $13 million civil claim against Air France, on whose airbus they were travelling when it was hijacked by Palestinian terrorists and taken to Uganda.

Among those suing the airline are families of three passengers who died in the incident.

The passengers are contending that Air France did not prevent or cope with the hijacking. Claims against Air France, and two other airlines whose planes carried the terrorists to Athens where they boarded the airbus, are being made on similar grounds by claimants in the United States.

Women attend meeting

OSLO [JCNS] —

Israel was represented by four delegates at the International Council of Women's executive meeting here. They were Pnina Herzog, who represents ICW on the World Health Organization; Aliza ben Arzi, representing ICW's committee of law; Hannah Bergmann, national president of ICW in Israel, and a member of the Knesset and Tamara Eshel, who is one of the ICW vice-presidents.

During the week-long meeting, the Norwegian government invited the delegates and guests to a dinner at the old Akershus Castle, and Crown Princess Sonja gave a reception for them at the royal residence at Skaugum.

IAF will buy Kfir jets

TEL AVIV [JTA] —

The Israel Air Force has announced that it will buy more Kfir jet fighter planes than originally intended. They will replace older aircraft to be phased out.

But the main reason for the increased orders appears to be the fast fading hopes of marketing the Israeli-made combat aircraft abroad.

Plans to sell Kfirs to Ecuador were stymied when the United States refused to permit the re-export of those components of the jet, including the engine, that were made in the U.S. or produced in Israel with American know-how.

Austria, which appeared to be a potential customer, has backed out, apparently for political reasons and the U.S. is still withholding permission for sales to Taiwan.

By taking more Kfirs, the Israeli Air Force will help keep the production line moving at Israel Aircraft Industries, manufacturers of the Kfir.

Urman gets CJC post

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CJC not take a public stand on the question of national unity.

Urman called the decision "a good one for the present," adding that any public pronouncement now "would be premature and unstrategic."

Congress National President Rabbi Gunther Plaut said the CJC executive would be "hard put to go against the wishes of the Jewish community in Quebec," and that likely the Eastern Region position would be adopted by the national body.

Other items on the officers meeting agenda included: a report suggesting the organization of a national education conference, to be held in May, 1979; a $3,000 allocation for religious objects distributed in Syria; a proposal to open a Canadian office of Network, the Jewish students organization, and the refusal of a $24,000 subsidy to the Jewish Labor Committee (regional staff and resources will be offered in lieu of financing).

It was also announced that Congress representatives and officials of the Canada-Israel Committee will be meeting July 11 to set community priorities on a wide list of issues including: the government's position on the boycott, its stance toward Israel at the United Nations, its commitment to the Helsinki accord in light of Soviet Union violations of human rights, and general trade questions.

"We can't push everything at the government at the same time," remarked Plaut in a phone interview. "We have to put our energy into a certain list of priorities."

$2-million complex built with the monies donated by Canadian benefactors

By BARUCH SAVILLE

JERUSALEM —

Canadian Jewry's widespread participation in Israeli development and its constant support in almost every technical and medical aspect, general education, and higher studies has been amply recognized the past few weeks amid a spate of events.

In the new, East Talpiot quarter of Jerusalem, Israel's latest and most modern absorption centre was opened on June 28. The $2-million complex, intended to be the main starting off point for new olim, was made possible through funds collected by the United Israel Appeal of Canada to honor Montreal's Gordon Brown. However, Brown has insisted that all Canada had its share in the project. Accordingly, it has been agreed that it will be called Canada House.

The new absorption centre is composed of three buildings in which some 300 olim can be accommodated. There are single rooms, rooms for couples without children, and family quarters for couples with up to three children.

Facilities for study of Hebrew, either generally or for professional use, are available in the six ulpans within the complex. Each apartment has its own facilities for individual cooking complete with refrigerator, cooking equipment, etc. The centre also has its own synagogue, fully equipped nursery and welfare centre and even its own general repair shop.

Limited to a stay not exceeding 12 months, the rates for these residents is exceptionally reasonable — a room for two single persons costs just $25 a month while family apartments with children range from $35-45 a month.

Brown said that Canadian Jewry, whose per-capita donations are impressively high, was responsible for two other absorption centres, while yet another, a large hostel for single persons, is already in the process of construction.

Meanwhile, the dedication of the D. Lou Harris student dormitories complex took place on the Technion's Mt. Carmel campus in Haifa, part of the Canada Village. When completed, the dormitories will add 620 beds for students requiring on-campus accommodation and will include a hostel for married couples and one for part-time students.

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Dr. Ralph Halbert [second from left], newly-elected national president of the Canadian Friends of Hebrew University, reports on proceedings of the university's international board of governors in Jerusalem. Others from left are Roz Halbert and Esther and Sam Sarick, hosts of reception.

Winnipeg Hebrew schools benefit from government aid

By A.J. ARNOLD

WINNIPEG — Expansion of government aid to private and parochial day schools in Manitoba will be provided for in the 1978-79 school year by amending the shared services provisions of the Public Schools Act. Keith Cosens, education minister in the Conservative government, announced that the proposed amendments will legalize broader shared services agreements between public school divisions and private schools within their boundaries.

Three Jewish schools, the Winnipeg Hebrew School (Talmud Torah), Joseph Wolinsky Collegiate, and Ramah Hebrew School, will benefit from the new provisions if Winnipeg School Division carries through its pledge to sign a shared services agreement once the law is clarified.

Catholic, Mennonite and other denominational schools will also benefit.

At present, the law states that shared services may only be provided for classes where instruction is supervised and controlled by the public school board "in a school operated by the board." Five school divisions have already introduced shared services agreements by declaring the private schools to be extensions of public schools for core curriculum subjects.

The Peretz Folk School is the only Jewish school to benefit from this arrangement since it is located within the boundaries of the Seven Oaks School Division, one of the five that signed these agreements.

The amended legislation will now say that school boards may enter into agreements where services are provided "outside as well as within the public school system," according to Cosens.

Anticipating legislative approval $1.2 million is being allocated in the Education Department budget for shared services in 1978-79, compared to $517,000 in school year now ended. This makes possible per-student grants of up to $435 which is approximately what the Peretz School is now receiving.

The proposed amendments also provide that aid will only be given to private schools which provide education "equal to the standard provided in the public schools" and with a sufficient number of core subjects to meet this standard. Also the teachers of these subjects must be qualified with Manitoba certification.

School boards must still make the decision to enter into agreements with private schools under the shared services provisions. It is expected that the amendments will meet the concerns which previously stopped the Winnipeg school division from making such an agreement.

If these amendments do not result in equal treatment for all private schools, Cosen said, then the government will consider direct aid. He added that he personally favors public aid to private schools.

The education minister also announced a further amendment to permit the use of languages other than English and French as languages of instruction in pilot course subjects for up to half of the school day in public schools. This is an extension of the provision for teaching third languages which has been in effect in Manitoba public schoools for a number of years.

Eight or nine third languages, including Hebrew at one junior high school, are being taught at over 200 Manitoba schools. Approval was also given a few years ago for the introduction of Yiddish, but there were not sufficient students to establish a class.

The first pilot program for third-language instruction in other subjects will be in Ukrainian at the kindergarten level. This will undoubtedly follow the Alberta precedent where several Edmonton schools now have bilingual English-Ukrainian education instruction programs.

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Give the moderate Arabs more moral support: Israeli

By BEVERLEY STERN

TORONTO — Moderate Jews and Israelis must give the moderate Arabs more moral support by recognizing the rights of the Palestinians to self-determination, pleaded Ibraham Shtab, an Israeli Arab who has lived in Israel since 1948.

Shtab, a member of the executive committee of the Histadrut and the Labor Party, told his audience of over 80 attentive men, women and youth at the Town House recently that he understood Israeli sensitivity about secure borders.

He said he and other like-minded Arabs are not asking Israel to withdraw from any occupied territory, nor even to start negotiations. This would be unrealistic, he admitted.

All "pro-peace" factions now realize that war is not, and cannot, be an instrument to resolve conflict, he said. Only direct negotiations between the real partners, the Palestinians and the Israelis, can effect solutions.

He stated that since 1967 a moderate movement among Palestinian Arabs has grown. He recalled that he just returned from a meeting of 25 Palestinian leaders on the West Bank of Jordan who rejected the dominant extremist positions of the terrorists.

There are now a sizeable number of Palestinians who do recognize Israel's right to exist, but ask that such recognition of national identity be mutual. Without Israel's consideration of Palestinian identity, the moderates have no credible position from which to argue for peaceful negotiations, he stressed.

Just as more Arabs have to be more sensitive to the emotional experiences and needs of the European survivors of Nazism, so he enjoined a similar empathy for the Palestinian refugees who, he admitted freely, had been exploited by neighboring Arab states as well as the British.

While not disregarding the imperatives of secure borders for any nation, Shtab, also an educator, writer and television producer, repeatedly told tense and excited members of the audience that real security can only come with peace.

Attempting to mollify members of the audience who frequently had difficulty controlling their emotions, Shtab seemed to move his listeners with his sincere appeals for peace. There is room for both Israeli and Arab in the Middle East. Both belong to the same homeland, he repeatedly said.

As a moderate Arab, Shtab revealed that he faced intense dislike from his own countrymen and fellow Arabs as well as Jews. It is easy to see moderates as weak traitors, he said, and Sadat, while pursuing peace on one hand, must also be seen as a strong leader able to protect his country.

Hadassah holds 9th seminar on public affairs

WINNIPEG — Scholars and members of the Hadassah-WIZO public affairs department recently met here for five days of intensive study of contemporary issues concerning Canadian and World Jewry.

Chaired by Sara Policoff, the ninth national public affairs seminar attracted close to 70 participants, representing active public affairs departments in 36 cities from the Atlantic provinces to Victoria, B.C. Scholar-in-residence, Matti Golan, acting consul-general of Israel in Toronto, and Israel information officer for Canada, and Fred Lepkin, chairman of social studies at Burnaby South Senior Secondary School, complemented the roster of featured guest speakers.

Sol Kanee of Winnipeg, treasurer of World Jewish Congress, detailed the situation of Jews in countries around the world, with special emphasis on the Jews of Argentina whom he has visited. He clarified the relationship between the World Jewish Congress and the World Zionist Congress and outlined procedures being followed in dealing with problems of Soviet Jewry, anti-Zionism and neo-Nazism.

Prof. Simon Shitreet, faculty of law, Hebrew University, analyzed public declarations of Arabs towards Israel, and demonstrated how a short phrase "rights of the Palestinians" can raise high emotions on both sides.

Labelling himself as the "ultimate Zionist," Prof. Zwi Werblowsky, of comparative religion, Hebrew University, told the participants that they must "get beyond their emotions." He stated that "historical conflicts do **not** have solutions." Optimistically he explained that "conflict can peter out."

Toronto passes boycott motion

TORONTO — Toronto city council has passed a resolution urging the Canadian government to enact legislation to counter "the intrusion of discriminatory foreign law", particularly in the economic sphere.

The motion noted that Ottawa "by avoiding the central issue in the anti-Israel boycott by Arab states is causing concern and unnecessary tension in the business community of Toronto."

Introduced by Alderman Tony O'Donohue, the motion censured Ottawa, indirectly, for its refusal to enact legislation "that clearly sets out that Canada will not tolerate the policy of any country refusing to conduct business or trade with Canadian companies, or their affiliates that employ persons of the Jewish faith or hold certain political views."

The motion was passed June 21.

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Introduction.

Immigration is one of the most important influences in Canadian life. It always has been.

Immigration affects us culturally, socially and economically: Domestically and internationally.

To ensure that immigration continues to work for the good of Canada, our immigration law has undergone some significant changes. And whether you're a fifth generation citizen or just a visitor, you ought to know what's new.

The changes.

For the last four years, individuals and organizations have made suggestions for change in Canada's immigration law and policy.

Many of the responses received have become part of the new immigration law, designed to serve everyone's best interests for years to come.

For the first time, the basic purposes and principles of our immigration law are clearly stated in the law itself. All other provisions of the law, and the way they are carried out by immigration officers, now flow from these purposes and principles:

Non-discrimination. Reunion of families. Humanitarian concern for refugees. And the promotion of Canada's economic, social and cultural goals.

Just words you say? Well read on, because the rest of the new law has been carefully written to make it possible for Canada to live up to its word.

How it affects immigrants and visitors.

From now on, immigrants and those visitors who come to work or study must make all immigration arrangements before they arrive in Canada. No one may change his or her status while inside Canada.

Canada has always allowed sponsorship of the immigration of a wide range of close relatives. With the new family class, Canadian citizens can now sponsor parents of any age.

Canada has always protected refugees within her borders according to a Convention of the United Nations. This protection is now given the force of Canadian law. In addition, a new refugee class defines the when, how and who of accepting refugees for resettlement in Canada.

Civil rights of those involved in immigration proceedings receive greater protection under the new law. And deportation will no longer be the only possible penalty. There are now less drastic alternatives for minor infractions of immigration law.

Immigration will not be easier, but it will be more predictable. Immigrants and visitors should always always talk to their Canadian Government visa office before they make a move. That way, they'll know exactly where they stand when they step off the plane.

How it affects Canadians.

The new immigration law is a blueprint for the future. A flexible blueprint that allows for unexpected change. Its influence on the fabric of Canadian society will be subtle and long-range.

Under the new law, the federal and provincial governments will share many responsibilities. To this end, formal agreements on immigration planning and management will be made with the Provinces.

In fact, one such agreement has recently been reached with the province of Quebec.

Each year, after federal-provincial discussions, a target figure for immigration volume will be announced. The number will depend upon national, regional, economic and social goals. Immigrants will be encouraged to settle in places where their particular skills are really needed. They will be discouraged from settling in places where employment is a problem.

Generally speaking, illegal immigrants will find the law tougher than ever.

The new law, of course, will continue our tradition of strong protection against international criminals and terrorists.

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The future.

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Missing out

For the third consecutive year, this newspaper has received letters expressing dismay at the lack of a Jewish-Israeli pavilion at Caravan, Toronto's highly successful, annual, nine-day multi-cultural festival.

Writes Sam Soifer of Dundas, Ont., the executive director of the Hamilton United Jewish Welfare Fund: "Having just participated in Caravan's 10th year, with 58 ethnic pavilions represented, attended by many thousands of visitors, I feel pained by the glaring absence of any Israeli-Jewish representation. If in no other way, the loss of goodwill was clearly emphasized by the reception of the public at the Kuwait (Arabic) pavilion."

Last year, the Canadian Zionist Federation said it hoped to be part of an Israel pavilion in 1978. But the CZF got very involved in the planning and execution of the highly-successful Israel Day at Ontario Place last month. In fact, Max Goody, who headed up the Jewish pavilion the only time it was in Caravan in 1973, was in charge of Israel Day.

It would have been asking too much of the CZF to have looked after such an operation this year. But where was the Canada-Israel Committee whose mandate is to deal with the non-Jewish community. And where were the Israel Consulate, Israel Trade Commission, the Israel Government Tourist Office, El Al, the various other Zionist organizations and the Canadian and Toronto Jewish Congress, this community's representative body.

Surely this community of 120,000 with all its organizations and resources could have mustered up a pavilion. What a loss in public relations for the community and for Israel!

Let our community institutions and leaders take note of our glaring absence and plan to be part of this world-renowned festival next year.

A sound judgment

In its august wisdom the United States Supreme Court has finally handed down its decision on the famous Bakke case. By a 5-4 majority the court ruled that Allan Bakke had been improperly denied admission to the University of California's medical school at Davis. Bakke's place had been awarded instead to members of minority groups who had inferior marks.

Bakke had originally been the victim of a guilt syndrome that has engulfed a large sector of the liberal community in the United States. According to its rationale, the only way to compensate blacks and others for years of discrimination and ill treatment, as members of a visible minority, is to set aside, in the professional schools of the United States, a certain number of places for previously exploited peoples.

This reverse discrimination was designed to right a wrong that has plagued American society for so long.

The Supreme Court decision, while equivocal in some respects, makes it clear that in the Bakke case justice was denied to a duly qualified white man whose academic record was superior to minority students who were admitted to the Davis medical facility on the basis of a positive racial quota.

Liberal groups have been misguided in their beliefs that compensatory justice requires medical schools to admit candidates on the basis of their national origins or racial stock. Just a few decades ago this principle was evoked to bar thousands of Jewish students who wished to gain entry to medical schools. For years the Jewish community in North America has fought against this idea, asserting that merit should be the main factor in university admissions. The racial and ethnic quotas favored by some American schools today is, despite the well-meaning philosophy behind it, retrogressive in the extreme.

If liberal circles wish to promote the full participation of blacks and others in the professional schools they must realize that lowering standards to guarantee admissions is not the way. The problem resides in the wretched public and high school systems to which many blacks are exposed in the United States. Deprived of a solid educational background, students in the ghetto schools quickly find themselves falling behind.

The problem admittedly is not easy to resolve. And the very difficulty itself is used by proponents of reverse discrimination to justify its appropriateness. They argue that since it is impossible to transform the entire educational system a start has to be made somewhere; why not in the medical and other professional schools?

The answer is simple. It cannot be made in those institutions because they will quickly lose their credibility. If reverse discrimination is permitted, then any black or minority graduate of a medical school will be considered ipso facto an inferior product since it will be known that he gained entrance to the school on the basis of something other than merit.

Excavating the past

Another major Jerusalem archeological excavation, this time on the Ophel site of the original city of David which has intrigued scholars for centuries, is about to get under way. The focus of the dig will be the hill south of the Temple Mount, the most ancient nucleus of the city which was a Jebusite settlement 3,000 years ago when taken over by David, who made it his capital, later to be developed by his son Solomon.

Because of buildings in much of the area, chances of finding substantial remains from that ancient time are not considered bright, but there is confidence that considerable light will be shed on this formative period in Jewish history and in the development of the city.

Thus apart from the considerable effort which will be invested in the projected five-year operation, it will also call for the biggest-ever outlay for an archeological dig in Israel. The first season will extend from July until September and the organizers hope to draw on the assistance of volunteers from both Israel and abroad.

Sponsoring the excavation are the Jerusalem Foundation, the Hebrew University, the Israel Exploration Society, a group of donors from South Africa, and the Ambassador International Cultural Foundation from the U.S. The dig will be led by Yigal Shiloh of the Hebrew University.

The importance of the project should be seen in terms of the overall picture of archeology in Jerusalem in the decade since its reunification.

As a result of the two mammoth excavations conducted by Prof. Nahman Avigad which will be wound up this year, the whole perception of Jerusalem's development has altered in many crucial ways. Other speculative theories have been endorsed. "This is the last part of the puzzle we hope to put into place," Shiloh says.

Those parts of the excavation which will be on public land will be included at the conclusion of the dig in the archeological garden currently being developed along the southern part of the Old City Wall where Prof. Mazar's dig is concentrated.

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Widening scope

A major organizational revamping of the United Israel Appeal — Keren Hayesod, is soon to become operative with the formation of a world board of trustees for the roof organization which encompasses campaigns on behalf of Israel in 50 countries.

Abraham Avi-Hai, the new world chairman of Keren Hayesod, described the board as a significant innovation in that it would involve ranking contributors and leadership in the decision-making process. The board will be composed of 16 members, half from Israel and the rest from the major congregations in the UIA network such as Britain Australia, Canada, France, South Africa and Switzerland.

Dr. Avi-Hai is confident that the organization will be able to fulfil its commitment to collect an additional $16 million this year over and above the estimated annual accumulation of $110 million. All these additional contributions will be earmarked for the special program to reconstruct 160 disadvantaged suburbs in town and cities around Israel over the next five years.

This plan which aims to improve general living conditions for a total number of 300,000 people has been the main focus of the annual Jewish Agency assembly which met in Jerusalem. In addition to the physical reconstruction of the slum neighborhoods, the plan is to enlarge opportunities for the residents in all spheres by creating a new social support system, including job-training, and establishing schemes, youth employment centres, tutoring programs, services for the aged and other such basic amenities for the disadvantaged.

Two-thirds of the $600 million collected for the program by world Jewry will be raised, it is hoped, in the United States through the UJA and in other Jewish communities around the world. The Israeli government will provide matching funds over the next five years.

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Equal opportunity, a reality

Professor starts a new program to help close the gaps in the schools of Israel

focus on Israel

By MARCIA KRETZMER

JERUSALEM —

Three separate committees are busily dissecting over five years' experience of the "reforma" — the controversial program intended to close the educational gap in Israel, through socially integrated schooling, and a specially designed curriculum.

Early results of the committees' review show that the "reforma" can point to success on the social level: pupils from disadvantaged homes are benefitting from contact with their peers from relatively well-established families. But the much-hoped for improvement in educational attainment among disadvantaged pupils has so far failed to materialize: grades and examination results still lag behind those of their more privileged classmates.

The CJN talked to Dr. Eliezer Jaffe of the Hebrew University School of Social Work about the "reforma" and other aspects of the social gap in Israel. Dr. Jaffe came to Israel from Cleveland, Ohio 20 years ago. He lives in Jerusalem with his social worker wife and their four children. Unfailingly courteous and quiet-spoken, Dr. Jaffe's mild-mannered demeanor does not prevent his making trenchant attacks on outmoded social service programs, nor being an outspoken champion of grassroots initiative in project planning.

He formerly headed the Jerusalem municipality's welfare department, was a member of the Prime Minister's Committee on Disadvantaged Youth, and a co-founder of ZAHAVI, the Association for the Advancement of Large Families in Israel.

(Carol Gooter photo)

American-born Dr. Eliezer Jaffe of the Hebrew University School of Social Work. He talks about "closing the gaps" in Israel.

Jaffe: We are bound to continue the "reforma" — and not only because so much has been invested in it. We know there has been no educational damage to pupils from privileged homes, and it's helping to break down the ghetto walls. In the U.S. the goal is equal education. The Israeli goal is two-fold: social and educational. The social goal is real, not a by-product of the educational goal.

CJN: Are the ghetto walls being broken down only within the school?

Jaffe: So far there is little information on the social carry-over of integrated schooling in after-school hours or on Shabbat.

CJN: Then are social policy planners correct in seeing the school as a major arena for closing the social and communal gap in Israel?

Jaffe: Closing the social gap is a war, and in a war you don't fight on only one front. Education is a major front. The army used to be considered another, but this is easier said than done. The military machine can throw young people together, but integration doesn't just "happen" in the army, any more than it happens outside. And as for using army personnel for social work — to send women soldiers into development towns is all very nice, but it's sending the least-trained girls to grapple with the most problematic populations.

CJN: What do you think of former chief-of-staff Mordechai Gur's recent statement that few people of Oriental background are found in the army's upper echelons due to features of their mentality?

Jaffe: What was the big surprise? Everybody knows this. It would be healthier to bring our expectations of what the army can do socially within the realm of reality. The only worrying aspect of his statement was the use of the term "mentality," which suggests a dangerous tendency to stereotyped thinking.

CJN: If problems which can't be handled in the schools and army lie in the home, doesn't this have a lot to do with low-income families living in overcrowded, inadequate housing?

Jaffe: Begin, in his approach to Diaspora communities, was quite correct: housing is a very major issue. The premier's plan is to rehabilitate 45,000 families in 160 neighborhoods, over five years, at a cost of $1¼ billion. But I am worried. The idea has not been followed up with the proper aggressiveness, in terms of concept implementation. For a start, the time-table is wrong — I don't think it can be done in five years. Then I am afraid the physical planners will focus on buildings and neglect community strength. The "software" is being neglected because you can't put a plaque on software.

Third, can the sums be raised? The two-thirds of the money to be raised abroad is over and above the regular campaigns of the UJA and Keren Hayesod. The uncertainties are dangerous for the leadership here and abroad. The housing project could be one of the greatest achievements of the last 30 years — or it could be one of the greatest fiascos.

CJN: What would make it a fiasco?

Jaffe: The renovated buildings turning into new slums through lack of co-ordination between authorities, neglecting to involve local residents in planning, improper land-use, with profits going to speculators, or leakage of the money out of the pot through extravagance.

CJN: Let's move from substandard housing to some of the people who inhabit it. You are a founder of ZAHAVI, the association which grapples with the difficulties faced by large families. How did ZAHAVI get started, and how do you see its role?

Jaffe: The other founder, Avraham Danino, came up with the idea. He's of Moroccan birth, a Haifa inspector in the education ministry, also involved in services for disadvantaged youth. He was dissatisfied with party political efforts in the field, and realized they did not have grassroots interests at heart — especially not those of large families.

We founded ZAHAVI — the name stands for "the rights of families blessed with many children" (it also means "my gold") — and the idea spread like wildfire. We now have 8,000 registered members. The basic philosophic commitment behind ZAHAVI is that people opting for large families should be able to do so without stigma, and should have the same rights as others.

CJN: But is this option unconditional, in your view? Conventional family planning wisdom says parents should be able to support the children they bring into the world.

Poor love their kids

Jaffe: The right to have children should not be restricted to those who have money. This is the stereotype that the poor are unfit to have children. There are thousands of poor families in Israel who love their kids and are doing their best for them. The abusive ones and those unfit to fill the parent role are a very small part. 'You made your bed — now lie on it;' that's about where we are now. We should be saying: 'you want kids — we will help you share the burden.' Israel's children are Israel's responsibility.

It's just not fair that 9% of Israeli families should be raising 40% of Israeli kids with so little support. Besides, it's time our people were attuned to large families as a subject, after what we've been through. There would have been 180 million Jews in the world today had we not nearly been wiped out. Our values are distorted, and we're headed for Zero Population Growth.

CJN: But isn't this confusing demographic goals with individual destinies? There is plenty of evidence that continuous pregnancy and the toil connected with raising large families is a real cause of social and personal stress. And can one speak of "options" when many of these families admit frankly to complete ignorance of birth control?

Jaffe: There is no plot. ZAHAVI is not withholding birth control information or trying to fool people into having more kids. The problem is the kids who are here: who gives a damn? Should we punish the parents, or make the children into welfare kids?

Large Family Law

CJN: What is your program for improving the lot of large families in Israel?

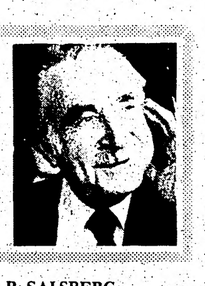
Jaffe: We lobbied for two years for the free high school law, just passed. We have won reductions in municipal taxes and water rates in some municipalities, and we are campaigning for large families in factories, department stores, and recreational facilities. We've won the right to a longer stay in hospital after childbirth for mothers of large families. We want to take some precedent cases to the Supreme Court — an aim which costs money, and we are virtually dependent on members' fees and donations.

Ultimately, we aim at an Israel Large Family Law, to put preferential terms in taxes, education, housing, and health insurance under one roof, and we want women working in their own homes to be treated as workers, entitled to social security. No one has really spoken out for large families in Israel. Now they are speaking out for themselves, and people are listening. It's a new phenomenon on the Israeli scene. ZAHAVI is a nice vehicle — a Jewish kind of thing. Now we have asked Begin to declare for large families, not only for Israel, but for the Jewish people.

CJN: Can this be put across to liberation-conscious women in the Diaspora?

Jaffe: We don't say it's the mission of women to have children at any cost. We want an approach that looks with favor on Jewish families having children — as a blessing, not as a burden.

Women issues plague Begin threatening government's life



By J.B. SALSBERG

The heading over this column, unless changed by the editorial headshrinkers, may raise your eyebrows. "What," you may ask, "him too?"

So I appeal to you, my esteemed readers, not to jump to conclusions. There is nothing personal in the statement. All who know him will testify that Begin is a model husband and father, nevertheless it seems as if the women question is one of his biggest headaches right now.

Being the creme-de-la-creme of the readership of this paper, you will ask: "With all the problems that now face Israel why has the eternal women question suddenly become so important as to plague the P.M. of Israel?" The typically Jewish answer is: "Nu, ihr zeht doch!" which, when translated into the English vernacular, would mean, "You're right, but there it is!"

Yes, my dear readers, Israel is presently beset by truly staggering challenges: Washington's new line in the Middle East creates difficulties; Sadat is making mileage out of that policy; Syria wars on the Lebanese Christians, so as to gain access to Israel's border; the foreign ministers of Israel and Egypt are to meet in London, and Sadat goes to Vienna, etc. etc. etc.

With all such problems one would imagine that it would be enough to keep every Israeli and every Jew in the world occupied 24 hours (or more) a day trying to find solutions. But, unlike all other people, we seem to feel that such challenges are not enough to keep us occupied. After all, we are unlike all others, aren't we? So the Israelis turned to the woman question, so that there shouldn't be a dull moment. But, as it turned out, the woman question threatens the very existence of the Begin government. And I'm not exaggerating.

The extreme Orthodox sector — Agudat Israel — had long ago won exemption from military service for its daughters. Ben-Gurion consented to that arrangement. Begin, to knock together a majority after last year's election, made some drastic promises to the Agudat Israel and the leaders of that small faction in the Knesset are now insisting on the full implementation of those promises. Implement fully, they say, or we withdraw our support from the government, even if it should mean a government crisis . . .

The larger religious political bloc — the Mizrachi, National Religious Party — does not claim such exemptions and its followers fulfil fully the military obligations of all other Israeli citizens. A Mizrachi government minister has come up with a compromise but, at the time of writing, the reply of the Agudah is not known.

Rabbis hold fate

But the 'Algemeiner Journal,' an important religious Yiddish weekly in New York, carries the following, eight column, front page, banner headline in its July 7th issue: "Fate of Begin government in hands of council of supreme rabbinic authorities."

That council, according to reports, sat all night and all of the following day, but failed to reach a decision as yet.

It would take more than one column to go into the detail of the exemption issue, but suffice it to say the following: The Begin promise to the Agudah, now contained in a proposed bill in the Knesset, would no longer make it necessary for girls seeking exemption from military service to appear before a military board to prove that they are really religious, or to agree to substitute such service by some other form of civilian national service.

Applications alarm

In the meantime, while the law is not yet enacted, the army has already begun to grant what amounts to exemption on request. The percentage of applicants for such exemptions has risen alarmingly. The army is running short of the specialized services hitherto provided by the women's army corps. Final grade high school girls are demonstrating, threatening that they will all claim the religious exemption if the law passes. The country is divided and, to repeat the Algemeiner Journal headline: "Fate of Begin government is in the hands of the supreme rabbinic authorities . . ."

But, hurrah for Mrs. Menachem Begin! She, Elisa, Menachem's devoted wife, has come out publicly against the proposed exemption bill. The law, she says, should remain as is.

"There is no reason," she said, "why my daughter should have to serve in the army while my neighbor's daughter is freed of military service because she claims to be religious."

Again, hurrah for Mrs. Begin, first, because she is absolutely right and, second, because it's good to see the wife of a PM oppose publicly a measure that her husband sponsors. Hurrah, Mrs. Begin, good for you!

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Opinion

JUST HOW JEWISH IS THE JEWISH STATE ?

The boundary between religion and secularism is made even sharper by the virtual absence of a middle alternative, writes Geoffrey Wigoder, editor-in-chief of the 'Encyclopaedia Judaica' in this article questioning the Jewish content of the Jewish state. The autho is also director of the oral history department of the Hebrew University's Institute of Contemporary Jewry.

By GEOFFREY WIGODER

LONDON [JCNS] —

Just how Jewish i the Jewish state turning out to be? Some of the early Zionist visionaries anticipatedthat renewed Jewish sovereignty in the traditional Jewish homeland would lead to a renewal of the spiritual elements of Judaisn, providing illumination and insipiration not only for Jews, but for the world at large.

Others based their Zionist aspirations on the hope for normalzation — the important thing for them was hat after 2,000 years of abnormal living as a minority throughout the world, they would once again be able to resume a natural national life, like any other nation.

A century after the beginning of modern Jewish settlement, and 30 years after the establishment of the state, the shortcoming in achieving both ideals are apparent. Normalization was indeed achieved, for example, in occupational structure as Jews went back to the land and to manual occupations from which they had long been cut off. But his achievement has been threatened in recent years as a veneer of affluence has enabled many Israelis to move up the econonic ladder, leaving many of the more menial occupations to Arab labor now abundantly available in many areas.

Moreover although Jewish sovereignty has been attained, the Jews of Israel are still in a tiny minority among a vast hostile Arab majority in the region, and the constant tension engendered generates a situation that is certainly as abnormal as the minority position of the Diaspora.

There are also gnawing doubts as to the extent of Jewish content with which the new state has been imbued. French sociologist, Georges Friedmann, in his **The End of the Jewish People?** (published in 1965), felt that among the majority of Sabras, Jewishness and what he called "Israelity" were hardly congruent; he found their self-identification with the Jews of the Diaspora and their sense of belonging to the Jewish people to be sadly deficient.

These conclusions were challenged by the Israeli social psychologist, Simon N. Herman, who undertook extensive research among Israeli youth and found them far more attached to the Jewish people than had been thought. (Friedmann subsequenly modified his first conclusions.) But the problems are sufficiently serious to exercise thinkers in Israel and elsewhere and "the Jewish character of Israeli society" has been the theme of a year's deliberations at the Study Circle on World Jewry held under the auspices of the president of Israel, culminating in an international seminar held recently at the president's residence in Jerusalem.

Of course, the first thing to be said is that it all depends on what you mean by Jewish. The broadest concept of being Jewish involves a commitment to a people, a religion, a culture and a way of life, a land and language. An analysis of Jewish identity in different parts of the world reveals a surprising variety of combinations of these elements, in varying strengths, with many Jews dropping some of the ingredients altogether.

The Israeli's commitment to two of these factors is absolute — to the land and to the language. By living in Israel, the Israeli is observing one of the major commandments, while his absorption in the Hebrew language in itself involves the transmission of a whole set of Jewish cultural values. To this extent, no Israeli can help being Jewish.

It may also be claimed that the Israelis are totally committed to Jewish peoplehood, although here more subtle distinctions are at work — the kind indicated by Friedmann when he distinguished between Jewishness and "Israelity." Thirty years ago, there was a tiny "Canaanite" movement which sought to detach Israelis from the total Jewish people, and even today there are more and more Israelis who fall into a secular category with a low Jewish identity.

There is, however, also a trend in the opposite direction. The experience of the Six Day and Yom Kippur Wars, in particular, made many young Israelis aware of an identification with the Diaspora, of a feeling of interdependence, and to the understanding that Israel and the Diaspora might be described as two sides of the same Cohen. The former minister of education, Aharon Yadlin, stated at the president's seminar: "The prime aim of Israel education is to bring Israeli youth to say, 'I am first of all a Jew', and not 'I am first of all an Israeli,' because the entity to which the individual belongs is the Jewish people, and Israel must see itself as the state of the Jewish people, not as a state of Israelis."

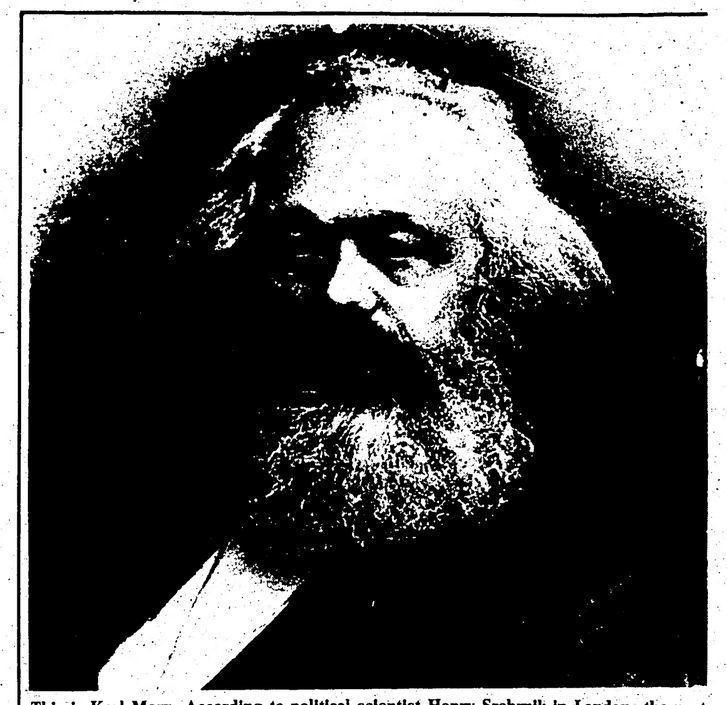
In other words, Israel education is today stressing the peoplehood aspect rather than the Jewish consciousness (the cultural aspect), emphasized by a previous minister of education, Zalman Aranne. This is a far cry from the trend of the "rejection of the Diaspora" which was strong in Israel a few decades ago, was implicitly nurtured by Ben-Gurion, and the negative effects of which are still to be discerned in the thinking of recent generations of Israelis. Today, there is a growing perception of the Israeli nation and the Jewish people as overlapping concepts.

Much more problematical are the other two elements of Jewishness — the religous and the cultural. For the sizeable traditonal minority there is no doubt of the nature of their Jewishness, and there is pride in new manifestations ranging from the modern yeshiva world to the Gush Emunim movement. The size of this minority depends on the definition of traditional, but, whatever the criteria, indications are that it is losing support, as is only to be expected in an open society where the younger generation is exposed to the counter-influences of secularization.

Geoffrey Wigoder

But the mainstream remains markedly a continuation of the historical streams along which Jewishness has always flowed. And with all the deviations, a person growing up in the wholly Jewish society of Israel is better equipped to emerge a total Jew than the part-time Jew of the Diaspora. For the most part, Jewish education outside Israel does not equip the young Jew to have access to his heritage as does an Israeli education, with all its shortcomings.

For all the reservations, Israel is providing unique opportunities for a fully-integrated Jewish identity and for an innovative Jewish life, and it has already made a major contribution to the revitalization of Jewish life elsewhere in the world.



This is Karl Marx. According to political scientist Henry Srebrnik in London, the past 30 years has seen the total collapse of communism as a credible ideology among Jews.

A changing world political scene causes a drop in Jewish communism

By HENRY SREBRNIK

MONTREAL —

Next to the establishment of the state of Israel, possibly the most significant change in the politics of the Jewish communities in the past 30 years has been the total collapse of communism as a credible ideology among Jews. And these two events are not unrelated.

It is hard to remember it now, but the period during and just after World War II saw the peak of communist influence in the Jewish world, culminating in a whole series of electoral victories in various countries.

Fred Rose won election to the Canadian House of Commons from Montreal-Cartier in 1943 and again in 1945; in England, Phil Piratin was victorious in London's Mile End constituency in 1945; in 1947, Leo Isacson was sent to the U.S. Congress in a special by-election from the 24th district in the Bronx, N.Y., and even in South Africa, Sam Kahn won a seat for the then still legal Communist Party in early 1949.

A mere three decades later, communism was a spent force among Jews, save for a few hangers-on. All these seats are gone. What had happened?

The constituencies where Jewish Communists had won election were all demographically very similar and heavily Jewish by population. Moreover, these were all Jews of a certain type: lower-middle or working class, especially concentrated in "Jewish industries" like clothing, and usually either immigrants from Eastern Europe or still unacculturated second generation and thus fairly European in their attitudes and interests.

As well, in all these areas, Jews felt threatened by hostile neighbors perceived as being anti-Semitic. This made them especially uneasy, as it was viewed until 1945 in the context of the then ongoing war between the Allies and a Nazism which was sworn to destroy the entire Jewish people.

This was a unique conjuncture of circumstances, on the class and ideological level, and one which could temporarily benefit Communists. The Jewish Communists claimed — and made prominent note of it in their propaganda — that they were the most consistent defenders of Jewish rights, locally, in the face of fascist attacks. As long as the Axis powers were a world threat militarily, Jews could conceive of the local anti-Semites as potential quislings, and thus could give support to the parties. In effect, these elections served as surrogate battles for the main contest, with the local Communists standing for the Allies (especially the Soviets, then bearing the brunt of the fighting), and the local fascists — disciples of the Adrien Arcands and Oswald Mosleys — for Hitler. And after 1943, local Jewish Communists were able to make gains in the wake of the "halo effect" of Stalingrad, and Jewish indebtedness towards the USSR for beating their main enemy, the Nazis.

It all started to come unravelled shortly thereafter, when the Cold War began. There was overt repression of Jewish leftists. More important, the Communists could no longer play upon the identification of the Soviet Union as the main component and chief ally in the anti-Hitler grand coalition. Nazism had been militarily defeated, and in the new struggle between the West and Soviet communism, Jews who continued to support Russia would leave themselves vulnerable to the charge of being traitors. As for the fear of local anti-Semitism, this lost much of its impact when no longer linked to a world Nazi threat.

Even in the halcyon days of communist identification with the Jews as potential victims of oppression, this had never really extended to a positive view of Jews as a separate national group: the attacks on Zionism, though muted, had continued apace. Perhaps the Jews had turned a blind eye to it before 1945. Any friend was better than none, and there was gratitude that the Communists were at least willing to defend Jews as people, or as part of the working class, even if unwilling to see them as anything but a group slated for eventual assimiliation.

Yet this parting of the ways between the Communists and the rest of the Jewish community was not immediate: for a short period in 1947-49 they could still make use of the Soviet connection. During this brief span the Soviet Union could be seen as the chief defender of the new state of Israel — ironic as it now appears in retrospect — and communist parties like the British one sent their "warmest greetings to the new Jewish state of Israel" as a crowing achievement of self-determination. In embattled Palestine itself, the Jewish Communists were a very significant force, and the newly-formed Mapam was very pro-Soviet.

Hence, even in the face of the total anti-communist offensive then underway in Western countries, the communist parties managed to retain their foothold in the old Jewish districts.

It all ended soon afterwards. The Jewish Communists continued to defend the USSR at all costs, at a time when Stalinist excesses were becoming increasingly more difficult to deny. Even moreso than other Communists, they were totally committed to the Soviet Union, not merely in the sense of defending it as "the first workers state," but even in a national, ethnic way. They were, in their own way, "Zionistic" towards the Soviet Union — and, indeed, Birobidzhan had literally been their own Palestine project. They saw the Jewish communities of the West, and even Israel for a short while after 1948, as part of a Soviet Russian Diaspora, in a sense.

Once the USSR had proven hostile to the Jewish state, the politics of the Jewish Communists became an impossibility. Though claiming to be in the very mainstream of the Jewish tradition (albeit in a secular way, of course), in practice they came to oppose the very core of post-war Jewish identity: the commitment to Israel as the central experience of Jews as a people. Hence, they very quickly lost their mass base and became marginal to Jewish consciousness — if not indeed seen as enemies or traitors.

Their supporters had already left them by the mid-'50s because of their political line on Israel, even apart from the massive socio-economic changes after the war, which emptied the old traditional areas of settlement, as Jews moved up the class ladder. But the Jewish Communists themselves suffered their own final disillusionment less over Israel than over their beloved Soviet Union. They had, after all, always opposed Zionism ideologically, and could thus continue to write Israel off as just a "bourgeois" state. However, Khrushchev's revelations in 1956 that anti-Semitism had in fact intensified in Russia in the post-1948 period was too much to bear. This was the final blow to their self-esteem.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Caravan should have an Israeli-Jewish pavilion

Dear Editor:

I am writing to you with acute disappointment, considerable distress and a little hope.

Having just participated in Caravan's 10th year, with 58 ethnic pavilions represented, attended by many thousands of visitors, I feel pained by the glaring absence of any Israeli-Jewish representation. If in no other way, the loss of goodwill was clearly emphasized by the reception of the public at the Kuwait (Arabic) pavilion.

Incredible!

Over 100,000 Jews in Toronto — and nothing, absolutely **nothing**, in connection with Caravan. We Jews concern ourselves, and even pride ourselves upon our public relations. We devote talent and funds in considerable amounts, all year, to presenting ourselves and Israel before the public as favorably as we can.

How could we miss this opportunity, so readily at hand, to add our note to the joyous, non-political, friendly atmosphere of this truly outstanding festival?

Incidentally, the four Jewish families living in Kenora are sponsoring an Israeli display booth at a local cultural festival in July!

Past opportunities are lost — but next year's Caravan need not see another failure to reach the many who become well-wishers, and the throngs who learn something about us.

Samuel Solfer,
Dundas, Ont.

Dear Editor:

Donald Carr's attack on Diaspora Jewish leadership for criticizing the Begin government for its hard line in the peace negotiations is, in my view, an affront to the entire Jewish people.

Why shouldn't we have a right to criticize and express our opinions on such vital issues as peace in the Middle East?

Mr. Carr writes: "It is a gross immorality for any Jew outside of Israel to give public voice to criticism of the enunciated policies of the government of Israel so long as the state remains in mortal danger."

Nonsense. Everyone knows, and history has proven, that the Jewish people are united as one in defence of Israel in time of crisis or God forbid, in time of war.

But this is a completely different situation. Israel is involved in direct negotiations for peace with its Arab neighbors, something we had hoped and prayed for these past 30 years. And people inside as well as outside Israel should have a right to voice opinions on this important issue.

That does not mean that we have a right to impose our views on the government or the people of Israel. They and they alone, will make the final decisions.

Rather than accept the "sha, sha" policy of Mr. Carr, I fully agree with people like Rabbi Wurzburger and J.B. Salsberg that Jews outside of Israel have every right to express dissent and criticism to the policies of the Israeli government. This in my view can only strengthen Israel in its efforts for a just and lasting peace with its Arab neighbors.

Harry Simon,
Toronto

Dear Editor:

As one who strongly believes in Israel's survival, and, like Don Carr, looks forward to the day when peace will reign, I offer the following quote from a piece by R. Southey in response to Mr. Carr's recent column: "Men are never so likely to settle a question rightly as when they discuss it freely."

M. Karp,
Toronto

Dear Editor:

The headline, "Quebec Jews are said fearful staying put may be too costly" over page 1 article in the June 30th issue both saddens and angers me, a Montreal-born Jew of the 1920s.

I could say, "How dare you print such an alarmist headline" — but then, I realize that most of my fellow 110,000 Montreal area Jews who live in well-defined ghettos (Cote St. Luc, Hampstead, Chomedey) are fearful, and I mourn for them! A mixture of first and second generation Canadians, they'd banded together for security in these ghettos, and I can't blame them. Now, with the mass psychiatrist Camille Laurin couching his weekly pronouncements of his version of utopia in words designed to appease (he thinks) the French masses and harrass (in most cases), the non-French "minorities", my fellow Jews are running scared, and I can't blame them.

But, if my fellow Jews would only discover the backbone in each of them, the same type of plain old-fashioned guts that created our state of Israel, the "fearful" headline would be replaced by something one hell of a lot more positive — such as, "Canadian Jewish leaders in the forefront of Quebec/Canada politics" — etc., etc.

I know I grew up to "Maudit Juif", and have the scars to prove it; I could come out with the much-maligned statement, "Some of my best friends are French" — but, it's true. Matter of fact, for the past dozen years or so, practically all of my friends are non-Jewish, not by design but because I live in a francophone community. If and when the occasion arises that a "Maudit Juif" situation erupts, I handle it on a one-to-one basis — words, fists, or just plain guts — I don't delude myself into thinking that because I earned their respect on a Tuesday that "they" won't turn on me the next day — but then, isn't that always the case with Jews from time immemorial?

I'm sad that my "ghetto-ized" fellow Jews can't react the way I do; "chacun a son gout," but surely a man will run out of cheeks to turn, no? Perhaps I'm one of the last of the breed — the Warsaw ghetto fighters, the Haganah, the farmers/fighters of Israel — perhaps I'm over-reacting and/or over-stating — but the only place I like my chickens is in my soup.

Hank Fleischman,
Montreal

Dear Editor:

Regarding the article, "Instrument for social planning, crucial to enrich Jewish life" printed June 23, I would like to further add: Why don't the widowed, divorced, separated and never married people feel comfortable at our so called Jewish Y singles socials?

Its about time the Jewish community could say, "Anytime you want to visit the Y singles we have something special for you."

How long will the YM-YWHA further delay an appointment to their executive board of a director as chairman of a structured democratic Y singles social committee?

Our synagogues and temples would also do well to consider the need for a singles chairman in their "Top Brass" structure.

H. Max Selden,
Toronto

Dear Editor:

The picture on p. 4 in your 30 June edition of The CJN shows a flight of Israeli-built Fouga jets, and not French-built Ouragans.

Uriel Domb,
Toronto

The Canadian Jewish News welcomes letters from its readers, but asks they be kept as brief as possible. We reserve the right to edit for legality or space requirements.

(IPPA photo)

SCHOOL'S OUT!

Israeli children wave certificates showing they passed as they abandon their classes for another school year.

An Israeli diamond empire shines throughout the world

By NECHEMIA MEYERS

REHOVOT —

When Arab oil sheikhs distribute diamond rings to the girls in their harems, chances are that the gems in them came from Israel.

For according to statistics released at the recent International Diamond Congress in Tel Aviv, Israeli plants cut and polish 50% of all raw diamonds and 90% of the stones (melees) which ultimately end up as ornaments on the fingers and around the necks of women all around the world.

This is the result of a process that began some 40 years ago when a group of Jewish diamond cutters from Holland and Belgium — traditional centres of diamond-processing — found refuge in Palestine, where they continued in their profession. And as time went by they were joined by thousands of locally-trained people so that today Israel has 830 diamond factories and workshops, most of them concentrated in the Mediterranean resort town of Netanya or in the Tel Aviv-Ramat Gan area, where a 28-storey diamond exchange, the world's largest, is located.

These factories and workshops provide jobs for 25,000 people — cutters, cleavers, brokers, exporters, security personnel, bankers, insurance men and airline employees. Indeed, all in all, 3% of all gainfully employed Israelis owe their livelihood to the diamond industry.

It is also a key factor in the national economy, last year being the only branch to chalk up overseas sales of $1 billion, which is more than the amount brought in by all other industrial exports put together.

The diamonds polished in Israel are sold to 35 countries around the globe, with the U.S. being by far the largest customer, accounting for one-third of all sales. Other major purchasers include Japan and, strangely enough, Hong Kong.

Of course, the ladies of Hong Kong are not wearing all those diamonds. Most are sent on, primarily to firms and countries that don't want to purchase the stones directly from Israel.

This fact indicates how much success in the diamond industry depends on discretion and, so local diamond merchants argue, it justifies their refusal to keep books in the same way as do other enterprises.

The Finance Ministry remains unconvinced, particularly because it suspects, with considerable justification, that diamond firms are not paying their fair share of taxes, but nothing can be proved until such time as these companies can be persuaded or forced to keep accounts.

If they were being kept, they would reflect a drastic drop in profits over the last few months. This has been caused by a shortage of raw diamonds and a consequent increase in their price at a time when the price of polished diamonds has remained steady.

But the London-based De Beers Syndicate, which has long controlled the international diamond market, is soon expected to restore a proper balance between the price of raw and polished stones, and so Israeli companies are confidently looking forward to glittering profits on some $1.3 billion worth of exports in 1978.

Organizations and People

what's new

By MIRIAM HERMAN

(IPPA photo)

It looks like North Americans are not the only mass importers of novel items from Taiwan. Apparently these light-weight, umbrella-style sun hats, made in that Chinese republic, reached the beaches of Tel Aviv and are a hit with bathers.

K-W SOLIDARITY DAY

This past Sunday, July 9, the K-W Skokie Support Committee, a group of concerned Kitchener-Waterloo residents of many cultural and religious backgrounds, held a solidarity day with the people of Skokie, Ill. The program, which took place at the University of Waterloo campus, featured songs by Jenny Eisenstein, a concentration camp survivor; a taped speech by Skokie Mayor Albert Smith in which he explained why he decided to challenge the Nazi group head on; remarks by a member of the Bergen-Belsen Survivors Association of Toronto, and an hour-long film, **Memorandum**, by the National Film Board of Canada, focussing on the life of camp survivors who went on a pilgrimage to Bergen-Belsen where they were liberated by the British in 1945.

CONFERENCES IN ISRAEL

Two international conferences are slated to take place in Israel later this year — The 18th International Congress of the International Confederation of Midwives convenes in Jerusalem Sept. 3-8. Special topics will include training in the Third World, social status, planned parenthood and adolescent pregnancies ...The first International Conference of Building Contractors and Promoters will be held in Tel Aviv Feb. 18-24, 1979. Discussions will centre around building low-cost housing, construction problems in poverty areas, and the effect of inflationary pressures on construction. For information on both conferences, contact the Israel Government Tourist Office at 964-3784.

HILLEL HAPPENINGS

There's a wine and cheese coffee house this Saturday, the 15th, at 9 p.m. at the International Student Centre, 33 St. George St....And a Stratford trip to see a Sunday matinee performance at 2 p.m. on the 23rd. Buses will leave Lawrence Plaza at 9 a.m....For information about both events, call the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation at 923-9861.

TRAVEL GUIDES

Following on the success of his first publishing venture, a pocket guide and planner to London, Toronto businessman Max Milstone has come out with a second travel book, this one on Paris. The Paris guide tells you how to get around the city, lists restaurants, helps you understand French menus, gives shopping tips, plus a lot more useable information. In addition, the London book has been updated and expanded. So, if you are planning a trip abroad, you can pick up both the 1978 Milstone Pocket Guide and Planner to London and to Paris at bookstores across Canada.

ORLY SYNAGOGUE

And, speaking of Paris — A synagogue is due to be re-opened at Paris International Orly Airport for the benefit of air passengers in transit. The synagogue will be situated off the air terminal's main lobby, close to the multi-denominational chapel already in existence. The head of Orly's police said he does not expect any special security problems in connection with the new synagogue.

SINGLES DANCES

The Young Adults (19-29) are having a disco dance at the northern 'Y' this Sunday, the 16th, at 8:30 p.m.

The Jewish Connection is holding a "sizzling summer" disco on Tuesday, the 18th, beginning at 8 p.m. at the Canary Cottage Disco, Hotel Triumph.

ARTIST IN-PERSON

Rina Barzilay, an Israel batik artist whose work is featured at Maskit crafts gallery, will be at the gallery from July 13 to July 22 to meet gallery visitors and to take orders for special requests. This is the first in a series of artists being brought over to Canada by Maskit, at 38 Avenue Rd. The gallery is open Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Hamilton community votes to sell Delaware Ave. centre, put option on 19.4-acre site

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON — Recommendations by the Jewish Community Centre board of directors and the executive committee of the Hamilton Jewish Federation to put the centre building at 57 Delaware Ave. up for sale and to put an option on a 19.4-acre piece of land at the western end of metropolitan Hamilton, have been approved.

At a general meeting of the JCC and Hamilton Jewish Communal Projects, anyone contributing $10 or more to the Hamilton UJWF was eligible to vote, but attendance at the community-wide meeting was small. There was only one dissenting vote among the 30 persons who showed up on the hot and humid evening two days prior to the holiday weekend.

Discussion centred mainly on whether the option meant that the decision was final and around the interim period between the sale of the old buildng and the possible construction of a new one.

The agreement with the owner of the property is for "a six-month option, subject to the approval of the members of the community and subject to obtaining the necessary government approvals," Howard Katz, new president of the JCC, told the meeting.

And there is no intention, he said, of moving any programs or offices until the old building is sold. "We do not plan to move out and lock the doors and leave the building empty before it is sold."

"Optioning of the site of the Souter property" — as the land at the western outskirts of the city, between Ancaster and Dundas, is known — "is simply a first step to allow us to know that we have a site to go to when this building is sold," Mel Gunn, chairman of the building and planning committee, said in his report.

He urged the immediate undertaking of a feasibility study to determine the community's needs with respect to a new centre building, cost of construction, operational and maintenance staffs required and the operating budget of a new centre. "Should all the pieces fall into place...we'll present a complete package to the community."

It is hoped that a study can be completed and final figures as well as sources of funds be put before the community six months from now.

David Andrews, recently retired director of the Toronto YM-YWHA is to be brought in to conduct the study, Gunn disclosed, adding that "it must be done by a professional...I don't know of anyone more qualified than David Andrews."

Gunn does not foresee any problems in obtaining the necessary approval from government agencies, which include the Niagara Escarpment Commission, Wentworth region and the town of Ancaster, which, he added, "is fully in accord with what we're doing."

Advising the community to go ahead with the study as soon as possible, Gunn said that "the reason why we're planning to get this done now is that we're trying to get Wintario funds. We're in line for Wintario funds of close to $1 million for this building...and if ever there was an opportunity to build a Jewish community centre in this city...while Wintario funds are available, then we've got to do it now."

Associate editor is leaving CJN after seven years

TORONTO — Lewis Levendel, associate editor of The Canadian Jewish News, is leaving after seven years of service to spend the best part of a year travelling and living abroad.

The 35-year-old journalist joined The CJN in 1971 as assistant editor when the paper came under its present ownership. Two years later, he was promoted to his present post.

In 1974 and 1975, he won awards for local and national reporting in the Smolar competition for North American Anglo-Jewish newspapers.

"It was exciting being part of the paper's growth from nothing into something," he recalled. "I enjoyed working with Editor Ralph Hyman and some of the young talent we have and have had on our editorial staff."

Commented Hyman: "Lewis Levendel has played a significant role in the growth of the newspaper, and he will be greatly missed."

Levendel and his wife, Lili (a CJN alumnus), plan to spend two months in Israel this winter before returning to Toronto in March.

Congress union settles on contract

TORONTO — Unionized professional staff at Toronto Jewish Congress and Canadian Jewish Congress, Central Region, have reached a contract settlement. But neither management nor union spokesmen would comment on the details.

The staff received certification from the Ontario Labor Relations Board last August and are members of the Association of Commercial and Technical Employees, Loc. 1704. Some 20 people in the campaign department, community work and social planning are members.

It was not revealed whether government mediators were involved in the negotiations. Toronto Jewish Congress Executive Director Irwin Gold, negotiating for management, had no comment when phoned by The CJN. Union President Danny Drutz said he could not offer details on the contract settlement without consulting colleagues.

When negotiations began, staff spokesmen said at the time that salary discrepancies between departments and individual security issues were the chief concerns.

The new contract covers fringe benefits — like OHIP coverage — working conditions and salary issues.

In Toronto, the Congress group marks the third union contract for Jewish "civil servants". Jewish Family and Child Services and the Association of General Studies Teachers in Hebrew Day Schools both have unions.

Ontario Premier Bill Davis (left), receives Israel 30th anniversary medallion in appreciation of his having declared June 4 Israel Day at Ontario Place. Presenting the medal were Jeanette Winters, co-ordinator of the program and Max Goody, head of Israel 30th anniversary celebrations.

...about people

Veteran journalist **Yehuda Avner,** special advisor on North American affairs to Prime Minister Menachem Begin, will be in Toronto this weekend to discuss with the community's leadership the recent Israeli cabinet decision regarding Egyptian peace proposals. He will address a select group at a special reception this Sunday evening, the 16th, at the home of **Murray and Louise Cornblum.** Mrs. Cornblum is 1978 special events chairman, Toronto Israel Bonds.

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David Aronson

Yeshivat Or Chaim and Ulpanat Orot Girls School have engaged a new executive director. He is **David Aronson** of New York, who has his masters in Jewish history from Yeshiva University and his PhD in history from New York University. Director of admissions and assistant professor of history at Touro College, Mr. Aronson comes to his Toronto post with a vast teaching and administrative background that includes positions at the City University of New York and Yeshiva University.

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With the synagogues — Newly elected officers at Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am are headed by president **Alf Pilch** and vice-presidents **Jack Siskind** and **Stan Goldfarb**...Petah Tikva elected **Isaac Pinto** president with **Miguel Salama** and **Max Benaim** vice-presidents ...At Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda, **Ralph Snow** takes over the top spot for a second term backed up by vice-presidents **Wilf Kideckel** and **Fred Stoll**...Shaar Shalom's president is **Howard Reininger** and vice-presidents are **Walter Shankman** and **Joel Steinman.**

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An announcement by Premier William Davis reports the appointment of Toronto lawyer and businessman **W. Bernard Herman** to a three-year term on the Governing Council of the University of Toronto, and the reappointment of Toronto Jewish Congress President **Rose Wolfe** for three years.

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Marcia Kretzmer, The CJN's Jerusalem correspondent, is moving to Boston for a year, her husband David having been accepted as a fellow at the Centre for Advanced Engineering Study at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he will be specializing in environmental law and policy. The Focus on Israel column, which alternates with the cooking column, will be discontinued and will resume when the Kretzmers return to Jerusalem. Marcia lived in Toronto a few years back while her husband was studying at York University and during that time worked at The CJN as a staff reporter.

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This weekend marks the first commencement of the pioneering Block Education Program at the Wurzweiler School of Social Work at Yeshiva University, and among the 43 students from Canada and the U.S. receiving master of social work degrees will be **Fay Geitzhals** of Montreal and **Heidi Schwartz** of Brooklyn, N.Y., both of whom work at the Jewish Family and Child Service in Toronto.

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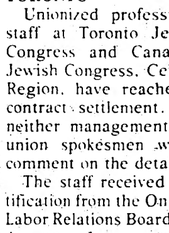

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Moshe Kol [2nd from left], congratulates Sam Brown at dinner honoring the B'nai B'rith Yorkdale Lodge member. Kol, former Israel tourism minister, was guest speaker at the Israel Bonds event at the Beth Tzedec Congregation dinner for Brown. Others from l are Charles Goldlust, Bond chairman for the Toronto Regional Council of B'nai B'rith, and Ralph Snow, dinner chairman.

More landing rights in North America?

El Al jetting into the future

By HARVEY WARREN

TORONTO — Israel national airline, El Al, may accept an agreement giving it additional landing rights in North America in exchange for a commitment to lower fares and introduce charter flights to Israel.

Moshe Kol, 78, Israel's minister of tourism from 1960 until last year, told The CJN the U.S. government, under pressure from American international carriers, is inclined to give El Al landing rights in Los Angeles, Boston, Miami, Chicago and perhaps, Philadelphia if El Al reciprocates with a more competitive rate structure and offers cheaper flights to Israel from several major U.S. cities. El Al, Kol said, "is prepared to accept."

Presently, El Al has gateway only to New York and Montreal and operates one charter flight out of Los Angeles.

Charter flights and the right of airlines to set their own fares have been major topics of discussion at the International Air Transport Association meeting in Montreal, which began last Friday.

Negotiations between El Al and U.S. authorities were continuing in Washington when The CJN went to press.

It is not clear whether negotiations involve additional landing rights in Canada, but it is widely known that El Al is anxious to operate direct flights to Israel from Toronto.

Kol, who has pressed four consecutive Israeli administrations to introduce charters from North America, noted last year under the Rabin government, a committee appointed to study charters recommended such flights be implemented from Europe to Israel. The committee also recommended charters from Canada.

"It was supposed to be a beginning to learn if I am right or the cabinet was right," Kol said.

Kol said tourism from countries where charters were introduced (specifically Germany and Scandinavia), rose by 40%.

"Charters saved Eilat," Kol said, noting that deteriorating copper prices have caused the closure of the copper mines, which were the lifeblood of the southern development town until recently. Kol has also served as Israel's minister of development.

El Al has consistently opposed charter flights on the basis it would lose money, but last year the airline reported a profit for the first time in its history despite charter flights from Europe.

"Nobody is gaining from no charters in Canada," Kol said.

Kol has urged El Al to set up a daughter company to operate charters, as many international carriers have done, but El Al has resisted.

Kol, who came to Toronto to address the Yorkdale Lodge of B'nai B'rith, was in North America on a private visit to the U.S. but the Israel Bonds organization persuaded him to give talks here and in five American cities.

Asked about reports which show a decline in Jewish tourism to Israel, Kol replied the decline is small. Fifty percent of Israel's visitors are Jewish, 40% Christian and 10% fit the "other" category, Kol explained.

"Whenever you have security trouble there is a larger decline in Jewish tourism than in Christian tourism," Kol said.

Kol is a vice-president of the Liberal International. So is Prime Minister Trudeau. Yet Kol has never discussed Canada's response to the Arab boycott of Israel with Trudeau, although the two know each other well and meet regularly at Liberal meetings.

"I don't know the situation," Kol explained. "If the Canadian Zionists or some other organization would give me the material I would bring up the matter of the boycott with him."

Kol, one of the original signers of Israel's declaration of independence, remarked in his speech to the 55 lodge members that "without compromise Israel will not achieve peace," but he refused comment when asked later to elaborate.

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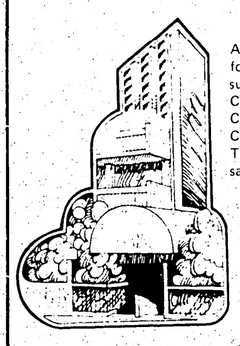

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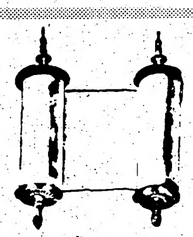

sparks from the torah

By RABBI MEIR GOTTESMAN

Parshat Chukat

Vayishma Hashem bkol Yisrael...And the L-rd listened to the voice of Israel

It's easier to turn around a ship than to turn around a community — but if you stand strong, it can be done.

The brilliant leader of Hungarian Jewry, the Chasam Sofer, had a student who became rav in a certain city. After 20 years, the Chasam Sofer visited him, but to his dismay he found that most of the Jews in the city were unobservant.

When he castigated his student for allowing such conditions, the latter excused himself: "But rabbi, I found them unreligious when I came here!"

The Chasam Sofer answered: "We find that when the Jews were in the desert and demanded water, Moses lost his temper and struck the rock. Because of that, he wasn't allowed to enter Eretz Yisrael. What was his great sin? But the Almighty said to Moses: "**Ya'an lo he'emantem lee** — Not because you didn't believe in Me, but **lo he'emantem**...you didn't cause others to believe in Me!

G-d complained: 'Moses, you were their leader for 40 years, and yet you couldn't get them to have confidence in My Word? What kind of leaders are you?'

"The same way," concluded the Chasam Sofer, "if you were rabbi here for 20 years and couldn't make the community **frumer**, it's not a good sign..." (Fun Unzer Alten Oitzer)

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If we don't teach Torah — real Torah, unadulterated and uncompromised — then how can Yiddishkeit exist?

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But it's weird: Our rabbis taught — the law of the red cow represents the exile! What does a red cow have to do with the exile of the Jews? It teaches, though...until the Messiah comes, the exile is a time when every Jewish family is tested — will it stay loyal to Judaism or not?

For some, it is a great purification. Imagine... if a family living in a small town, or having just a minimal knowledge of Yiddishkeit, still keeps kashrut, still gives its child a Jewish education — then it's a tremendous victory. (This writer heard recently of Jews in Phoenix, Ariz., where it's hot enough to cook cholent on the sidewalks, who have banded together to start a Jewish day school where there are already 40 Yiddishe kinder learning Torah).

But it can also be **metamai tehorim**...if one is not careful, great families whose lineage and loyalty goes back 3,000 years can suddenly break the chain and assimilate. Every Jew has to decide — will I stay a Jew or not? (Yossef Shaul Natanson)

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But even when a Jew goes astray, you have to look for his good points. Once a maggid delivered a particular scathing attack against a congregation of broken-hearted Jews. The Baal Shem Tov, who was there, castigated him for demoralizing the community.

"But even the Almighty criticized the Jews severely in the Torah," he answered.

"It's true," answered the Baal Shem Tov, "but when Moses criticized the Jews, he was immediately forbidden to enter the Holy Land. The Jews are G-d's children, and a father can criticize his own. But another person, G-d forbid!"

Let's find only good. Shabbat Shalom.

Harold Kaplan [left], new dean of arts at York University, gets together with predecessor Sydney Eisen.

After a five-year term, dean returns to teach

By JEFF BIEN

TORONTO —

Sydney Eisen, the retiring dean of arts at York University, says Jewish students are "heading for rough times" because of the resurgence of anti-Semitism on the campus and community at large.

"There are signs that some of the old forms of anti-Semitism and some newer ones are being revived," says the 49-year-old historian, who is completing a five-year term.

"I guess the murder of the Jews in Europe is far enough behind us now that those forces that have had to stay undercover are now feeling that it's time they emerged," says Eisen, who joined the York faculty in 1965. "I hope that the Jewish youth now recognizes what seems to be a perpetual threat to our existence — sometimes more, sometimes less, but nevertheless always present."

Reluctant to discuss specific outbursts on the university campus this year, the Polish-born educator comments that the right of free expression should be upheld but not abused, and he adds: "If someone's freedom says we ought to murder a large group of people, then that freedom is being abused."

Credited with helping to establish the Jewish studies program at the institution, Eisen says university-level courses in Judaica are vital for Jewish survival. "As long as Jews know who they are and what they believe in, they will be well equipped to meet those forces bent on their destruction."

The father of four, who has served on the Board of Jewish Education, is convinced that today's youth are a much tougher lot than the previous generation and they recognize the dangers somewhat more.

He notes that York, with one of Canada's largest Jewish student populations — about 4,500 out of 23,000 — offers a studies option in education that is unique to North America, (the only other one being offered at McGill). Students can combine Jewish studies with their education program, with the result that home-grown graduates are qualified to teach in both day and public schools.

The Vanier College fellow believes York provides a pleasant ambience for Jewish students. He notes with satisfaction the numerous activities held on campus, citing the hunger strike held last year in support of Soviet Jewry as having been a fantastic display of solidarity and one that should be used as a model for future activities.

Eisen's successor will be Harold Kaplan, a native American, who came to York in 1962. The two men first met at a picnic at Glendon College in '65 and have since developed a relationship, both as friends and academicians.

Eisen, who received his PhD from John Hopkins University in 1957, is the recipient of several academic awards and the author of numerous publications. He has played an important role in building links between York and the Jewish community and was instrumental in creating an exchange program with Hebrew University — the only official link York has with another university.

The program has resulted in two committees: one in Israel chaired by a former York psychologist and the other one here chaired by Prof. Michael Brown, co-ordinator of Hebrew studies at York. Eisen and the president of York, Ian Macdonald, visited Israel last year where they signed a formal agreement with the president of Hebrew University, Avraham Harman.

Eisen, a former member of the board of governors of Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto, stresses the necessity of action with respect to provincial government cutbacks on education. He advises that students, faculty and other groups affected, must make their case to the public quickly and effectively, or educational institutions will suffer more setbacks.

"If a university were to close or drop its standards you wouldn't feel it for awhile but in the end we are responsible to history. The kind of research we do is necessary to the future of the society," the longtime faculty-member asserts. "We have to make our case to the public as we've already suffered a great deal."

His successor, a political scientist at York for the past 15 years, strikes an optimistic note in his comments on the future of education. According to Kaplan, the universities haven't really tried to serve the public in a comprehensive fashion. With a proper attempt at expanding university services, the public's concern for the cutback dilemma should be heightened, he prophesizes.

The former chairman of York's senate and member of the board of governors says it is important for the people in the community to understand that the university has been subjected to a steady process of restriction for the past 10 years. "You can't keep squeezing," he remarks, "even grade schools and high schools have been better at making their case."

The uprooted American says he intends to strengthen the communication between secondary schools, colleges and universities, as well as establishing closer relationships with the general community. "I hope to convince my colleagues that we should be facing outward, talking less to each other and more to people outside the university."

Kaplan, 42, who received his PhD in 1961 from Columbia University, became a naturalized Canadian citizen in 1970. Believing Eisen to have been a pioneer in creating links between the Jewish community and York, as well as being instrumental in the creation of several formalized programs, he promises to continue where his predecessor left off.

Marathon runner is outdistancing younger racers

By WANDA WINTROBE

TORONTO —

Fame is focusing suddenly on Sheila Barnett, age 52. She has captured the North American record for women more than 50 running a marathon — 26 miles, 385 yards.

In May of this year, she astonishing crowds in Ottawa by finishing the National Capital Marathon with a time of 3:43:42. Out of 1,500 women competitors in the race more than age 35, she placed third in the International Masters Class. On June 4, she finished 14th in the Metro Toronto Zoo Run — 12½ miles — against women in their 30s.

Sheila Barnett

Shortly, she'll start intensive training for the Police Games Marathon being staged at CNE Stadium, Aug. 5. This additional exercise shouldn't prove too strenuous for the grey-haired grandmother, who usually runs more than 60 miles every week.

She is already a familiar sight to residents of North York, running 11 miles, Monday through Thursday evenings, together with her husband, Ronnie, 48, and friends Aaron, 60, and Judith Kazdan, 58.

The four teammates leave the Bathurst Street YMHA at approximately 6 p.m., taking the scenic route north to Finch, across to Yonge, up to Steeles, east to Bayview, then down to Sheppard, arriving back at the 'Y' at 7:20 p.m.

The Barnetts rise at 7:30 Sunday mornings to make coffee for the joggers of the Metro Toronto Fitness Club, then run 15 miles — often on very cold days. Sheila has been club secretary and Ronnie, club treasurer for the past two years.

The attractive, 5'3", 118 lb. athlete is a bookkeeper at Enchin Leather Supplies where she's worked for 10 years.

Her interest in jogging took root towards the end of 1967 as she began sprinting around a ½-mile track. In the spring of 1968, she joined the Metro Toronto Fitness Club.

"I don't think there were 20 members then," she said. Her small voice still carries a Yorkshire accent, although she has been in Canada since 1954. The club, originally for people more than 40, now attracts all age groups and all nationalities.

In 1976, at the age of 50, she was ready for her first major race, the Skylon International Marathon. Accompanied by strong winds and her husband, she ran from Buffalo to Niagara Falls in 4:10. Last year she accomplished the same race in 3:58. She'll try it again Oct. 22.

The Barnetts were honored by the YMHA for the Best Achievement in Track Participation for 1977. As well, each earned a 1978 Chai Track trophy for running the YMHA quota of 35 miles per week.

In 1977, Sheila was also credited with second spot in the City of Burlington 15-mile, road run against women 18 years and up, and a second in the 10,000-metre Canada versus United States X-Country Run for the over-50 age group, held at Sunnybrook Park, Toronto.

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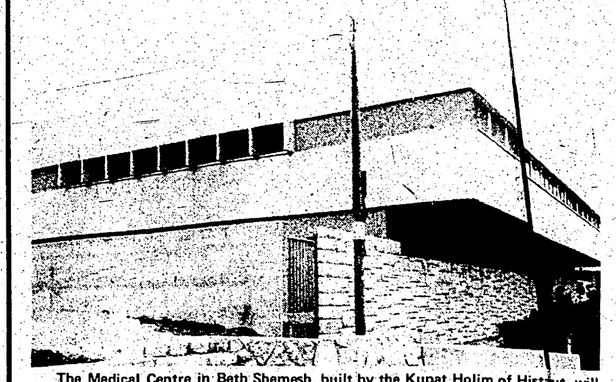
Mr. Sam Greenspan, a gentle man who does good deed in a quiet manner, is crowning a lifetime of philanthropic acts by the establishment of a Medical Centre in Beth Shemesh, Israel, that will bear his name and that of his wife, Rebecca.

Born in Poland, Sam Greenspan emigrated to Canada in 127, where he married Rebecca Alter. One of the original founders of Toronto Paving Co., his diligence and native acumen were rewarded by a successful business career, which include the presidency of a Toronto Tavern and involvement in land development and building.

But Sam Greenspan is not a man who lives "by bread alone." He plays a leading role in many communal activities. One of the early members of Beth Sholom Synagogue, he is also a founder Forest Hill Synagogue, President of the Ivansker Mutual Benefit Society and The Neighbourhood Senior Citizen's Club and a supporter of the Jewish Immigrant Aid Services. On a more personal level, quietly and without fanfare, Sam Greenspan was a benefactor to many people now successful by giving them their start in business.

In addition to his local charitable and organizational activities, Sam Greenspan is a staunch supporter of the Jewish State. He is a sponsor of Art Scholarships for disadvantaged youth in Israel and for Or Chaim Yeshiva, a supporter of the J.N.F. through the establishment of a Nachla and a "Guardian of the Ara" for the establishment of the Ya'Alon settlement.

Recently Sam and Rebecca Greenspan celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary. They have two daughters and are proud grandparents of six grandchildren.

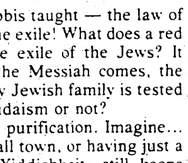


The Medical Centre in Beth Shemesh, built by the Kupat Holim of Histadrut, will stand as a permanent testimonial to Sam Greenspan's concern for the welfare of Israel and its people.

Beth Shemesh, situated near Jerusalem, has a history that goes back to biblical times and archaeological excavations at its mound have unearthed ancient issues of the important biblical city. It was to Beth Shemesh that the Philistines turned the Holy Ark and it was from Beth Shemesh that King David carried the ark to Jerusalem about 1,000 C.C., as recorded in the Book of Kings. Moder Beth Shemesh is a bustling, fast developing town and the Sam and Rebecca Greenspan Medical Centre will be of vital importance in providing health care for its rapidly expanding population and for settlers in the surrounding area.

Expulsions took their toll

landmark events in our history



By ROCHELLE CARR

From the fall of the Second Temple, perhaps no sobriquet fitted the descendants of Abraham and Sarah more than that of the "wandering Jew." If he managed to survive everything from mockery to pogroms, at some point in history, the Jew had to contend with yet another severe blow — expulsion.

In 115 C.E. the entire Jewish population was expelled from Cyprus. In 1290, England's 16,000 Jews were forced to leave. Sixteen years later, the same unhappy situation occurred in France. Indeed, between 1349 and 1948, Jews were expelled from such places as Hungary, Austria, Spain, Lithuania, Sicily, Sardinia, Portugal, Rhodes, Russia, and a variety of Arab countries.

Ironically, some of those very same countries, at other points in history, encouraged Jews to settle there. An economic ebb and flow buffeted the Jew.

When debts of the ruling classes to their Jewish financiers grew, the Jews might, at best, be expelled. If a harvest failed or depression hit the land, more often than not, the Jews were scapegoats and were forced to move elsewhere. Then, too, there was the incentive that if Jews were expelled, the local inhabitants could confiscate their property.

When the Black Plague hit in the 14th century, Jews faced a continuous expulsion. It was noted that in many Jewish communities the scourge took less lives, although in reality it was the biblical injunctions concerning hygiene which spared many.

In addition to the variegated socio-economic reasons, there was, of course, religion. When forced conversions, attempts at gradual conversions, hangings, pogroms and the like did not put an end to the Jewish faith, those who adhered to it were simply expelled.

In one sense, the expulsions took their toll on a Jewish sense of self worth. Yet, on the other hand, throughout those two millennia, it promoted a sense of nationalistic and religious survival.

Night music in Windsor

By ANITA HURWITZ

WINDSOR —

The Windsor Jewish Community Centre Chorale, directed by Harvey L. Schreibman, recently performed its second annual concert at "An Evening of Summer Music."

The choral group offered its rendition of the cantata "Oif'n Fidel," a musical composition based on the story by Sholem Aleichem. About 250 people attended the event at the Centre. Wally Townsend's piano accompaniment added vigor to the chorale's presentation.

The first part of the program featured the chorus from Cherry Hill High School in Livonia, Michigan. The students sang the folk operetta "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat," by Andrew Webber and Tim Rice. The Tom Clair Quartet provided a lively rock ensemble; it was obvious in the performance that the band enjoyed its music.

The Cherry Hill group acted much like a classical chorus, questioning the characters of Joseph and Pharaoh, and discussing the events of the biblical story among themselves. Their quality rendition helped overshadow the illiterate narration prepared for the operetta.

"Oif'n Fidel," part two of the program, gave special prominence to the tenor voice of guest soloist Kenneth Young. His performance enlivened the cantata, adding greater scope to the character of an old man who fondly reflects on his youthful longing to play the fiddle.

Sara Byer's English narration of the main character was a delight.

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Young Syrians speak of Jews' uneasy life

By PERCY GOURGEY

LONDON [JCNS] —

While the attention is focused on the plight of Soviet Jewry, little is known of the hardships of another beleaguered Jewish community. It is that of the Jews of Syria, 4,500 of whom live in ghetto-like situations in Damascus, Aleppo, and in the frontier village of Kamishli. As a result of government policy they have to share a special quarter in Damascus with Palestinian Arab refugees. Two young Syrian Jews, who recently got out of that country, spoke about the unease of their families and friends.

"Why did we leave. What makes you run the risk of doing so?" said one. "It is a question you could put to every Jew in Syria. The answer is no one can tolerate such restrictions and deprivation of human rights." From his pocket he produced his Syrian identity card. Across it in red was written "Mussawi" — a person of the Mosaic faith.

"You must carry this card which proclaims you a Jew at all times. The Jews who live by the border have the word written in red on the outside walls of their houses as well," he said. "The Syrian people think the Jews are responsible for the blood of their children and they want vengeance."

Before the establishment of Israel in 1948, there were about 50,000 Jews in Syria. This community has a history of settlement in Syria dating back to the times of the Second Temple in Jerusalem, six centuries before the Arab invaders of the country following the explosive impact of Islam started by Mohammed in Arabia. Syria has always been a hotbed of Arab nationalism and hence its extremist attitudes.

After World War I, when the League of Nations appointed France the Mandatory Power over Syria and Lebanon, as it had given Britain the Mandate over Palestine and Iraq, the Jewish community enjoyed a considerable degree of stability and freedom. Their businesses flourished, schools and synagogues were established, frequent contact with their friends and relatives abroad were maintained. With the ending of the French Mandate after World War II and the advent of independence, Syria began to impose many restrictions on her Jewish community.

After the proclamation of the state of Israel, Syria's ill-treatment of the Jews intensified, causing their rapid emigration. Following the 1967 June war, they were denied fundamental human rights in violation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights to which Syria had acceded on April 22, 1969. The declaration seeks "to encourage the honoring and protection of the rights of the individual and basic freedom for all, without discrimination on the basis of race, sex, language or religion."

In article 13, section 2, it states: "Every person will have the right to leave any country, especially one's own." Yet not one Jew has legally left the border of Syria without paying a very high tax, which is totally out of the reach of the vast majority of Syrian Jews. Indeed at the beginning of March 1974, and shortly after the Yom Kippur War, the bodies of four young Jewish women of Damascus were found near the border between Syria and Lebanon and handed over by the Syrian authorities, without a word of explanation to the Jewish community in Damascus for burial. Only later did it become known that the women had attempted to escape into Lebanon. Another atrocity concerned the former secretary of the Beirut Jewish community, Albert Alia, who was imprisoned in Damascus in September 1971 and is now given up for dead, all efforts to trace his whereabouts having failed. Two prominent Syrian Jewish citizens, Nissi Katri and Yousuf Swed were jailed for three years and released only after considerable international pressure. This was led by Alain Poher, president of the French Senate, and chairman of the French Committee of Concern for Jews in the Middle East, and his counterpart in the United State, the late General Lucius Clay, the former American sector head in Germany.

The one charitable act credited to the Syrian government, which last year received worldwide publicity, was the permission granted to 13 young Jewish women to depart for the United States after they had been married by proxy. However, this had necessitated the personal intervention of President Carter with Syrian President Assad.

The Syrian government's efforts to create the impression that the Jews live well and do not wish to leave are belied by the realities of the situation, as the door to emigration still remains shut. Syrian Jews are hostages to fortune, and any untoward event such as hostile incidents on the border with Israel could endanger their lives. On purely humanitarian grounds they should be allowed to leave Syria, apart from the honoring of international obligations.

1964 memorial for Eleanor Roosevelt

stamps

By CHAIM YEHUDA

On November 2, 1964, Israel issued a commemorative of Eleanor Roosevelt (1884-1962), noted humanitarian, author and columnist, delegate to the United Nations, and widow of the president.

Mrs. Roosevelt showed a deep interest for the underprivileged and their problems and she was always active in charity work.

Eleanor and Franklin were married in 1905 and she provided her husband with strong support during his life-long political career, especially during her husband's illness. Ultimately, he served as president of the U.S.A. from 1933-1945.

During this time, Eleanor continued her struggle for the downtrodden and oppressed; she travelled to the fronts during the war ignoring great danger to herself.

Harry Truman appointed Roosevelt U.S. delegate to the United Nations where she served as the representative to the Commission on Human Rights. She participated in the drafting of the Covenant on Human Rights, which was accepted by the General Assembly.

In 1952, she visited Israel, and was impressed with what was being achieved, especially the social and educational work by Aliyat Hanoar — the department of Child and Youth Immigration. She readily agreed to become the world patron of this organization.

The close bond of understanding and co-operation during the last 10 years of Eleanor's life proved a great honor for the state of Israel. Her life, character and deeds have created an eternal source of inspiration for our generation and for generations to come.

This brownish-lilac stamp was designed by M. Krup and printed by photogravure in sheets of 15 stamps. The tab includes the inscription, "Defender of Human Rights."

Neo-Nazi activities banned

PARIS [JTA] —

Marseilles Mayor Gaston Deferre denounced the recent increase of neo-Nazi activities.

Deferre, who is a prominent Socialist Party leader and a former French presidential candidate, said that in the city of Marseilles itself "anti-Semitic slogans are painted on walls. Jewish institutions desecrated and people in Nazi uniforms appear in public."

It was in view of these facts that he signed a municipal decree in May banning Nazi insignia and Nazi uniforms from the city's streets. The decree, unpublicized until now, ordered city police to arrest, detain and prosecute all those breaking the ban.

City officials said that as far as they know no arrests have been made but the decree itself seems to have had a deterrent effect on neo-Nazi elements.

Deferre said on a television program that he is determined to maintain the city's peace and ensure the harmonious coexistence of its various communities.

Marseilles, with a population of nearly one million, has one of France's largest Jewish and Arab communities. An important port, it is also the traditional home of various outlaw and extremist elements.

Deferre himself has regularly been re-elected for the last 20 years on a Socialist ticket with a large Jewish vote.

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Very fashionable and very feminine is this two-piecer featuring a lovely sweep of skirt embellished by a gentle gathering of the tiers. Softly styled blouse displays elbow-length elasticized sleeves and a round, detailed neckline. Both skirt and shirt are in summer-spirited cotton.

JEWELS OFFER MUCH PLEASURE

By ARNE SORENSEN

When you write that cheque for $15,000 for your next car, you do so in the knowledge that two years from the date you take delivery it will be worth about half what you paid for it. True, you know it will provide a good deal of pleasure and comfort and maybe a little prestige as well as transportation, but in the context of an investment, it's like buying stock in an oil well that just ran dry.

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While nature's bounty may have yielded pure carbon to us in the form of the much sought after diamond, it was also generous in giving us a whole beautiful range of elite minerals from which we can choose according to our preferences for color, design and purpose.

The brilliant green of the emerald, the fiery red of the ruby, the sparkling blue of the aquamarine can create breathtaking beauty, especially when combined with the icy brilliance of diamonds.

Because a diamond is so unique, its purchase can sometimes become intimidating, but it needn't be. There are four factors to be considered in the selection of a diamond, they are: color, cut, clarity & carat. Some understanding of these guidelines will make the acquisition of your diamond a more interesting and special experience.

Colorless diamonds are rare and considered most desirable. As tinges of color (usually a yellow cast), become visible, the stones diminish in value proportionately. Although there are some diamonds classified as fancies which can be in strong or deep colors, most will fall into the categories detailed on this scale. Recommended are those falling in the first three grades.

The fire and brilliance of a diamond is obtained by light entering through the top of the stone and being totally reflected back to the eye. To accomplish this the cut must be correct and precise. A diamond cut too deep or too shallow loses reflected light and is of lesser value.

Most diamonds contain inclusions. Only a small percentage could be classified as flawless. These are very rare and thus command a premium price.

If the inclusion are not visible to the naked eye and therefore have not marred the beauty of the stone, it is graded highly and priced accordingly.

Carat designates the unit of weight of the stone. There are 142 Carats to the ounce, and each carat contains 100 points. Thus a 33 point diamond weights one-third of a carat.

In reference to weight, it is important to understand that the larger the stone, the more rare and correspondingly the more expensive, so it would be impossible to place a fixed value per carat or per point or all stones of similar quality.

Perhaps the most beautiful of gemstone jewelry is the combination of color with the sparkling white of diamonds.

Modern technology, metal alloys and equipment makes possible astounding beauty in the setting of precious stones in fine jewelry of all kinds, color, size and brilliance are the media with which a skilled designer works.

Choosing the gems by shape, size, color and brilliance demands all the skill of a trained craftsman, while creation of the setting requires the talent of the gifted artisan.

Too frequently, beautiful stones with character unlike any other lie unused and forgotten in estate jewelry set aside for any number of reasons.

A fine jeweller can create new jewelry from old.

Be sure, however, that you select a jeweller who can offer in house design and manufacture, otherwise you will not get the custom design your gems deserve.

As any businessman knows, wholesale is a much misused word and there are interpretations of the word among many consumers which are total misunderstanding.

In gemstone jewelry, buying wholesale can be dangerous as well as a possible hoax. Unlike most commodities or products with an established and standardized value, gemstones range greatly in value. To all intents and purposes one could say there are no two diamonds exactly alike and for that reason, no way they can be properly valued alike.

A VVS (white) diamond in one-quarter carat size would be valued at approximately $1,000 while a second pique diamond of the same size but slightly yellower in color would be valued at $6,000. The fact is, that rarely can the untrained eye distinguish the difference by contrast with the finer quality stone.

The so-called wholesaler who offers substantial discounts in diamonds is usually operating in the same way as most other discounters — selling second or third quality products at inflated prices less his attractive discounts. A transaction that leaves the consumer with no more value (and sometimes less value) than can be had at full retail prices from any reputable jeweller.

For the person wishing to invest in fine gemstone jewelry, I can only recommend that you spend some time with a reputable jeweller and particularly with one who provides his own design and manufacturing facility. Only in this way can you be sure of attaining the benefit of appropriate design, quality workmanship and the benefit of a buying power in the gemstone market to demand and get the quality of stone he needs to maintain his reputation for excellence.

Whatever your taste in jewelry, one thing is certain, most people who have ever invested in fine jewelry have never regretted their purchase.

In many cases they've enjoyed years of pleasure in owning the unique beauty of such jewelry and at the same time have seen the value of their purchase increase with every passing year.

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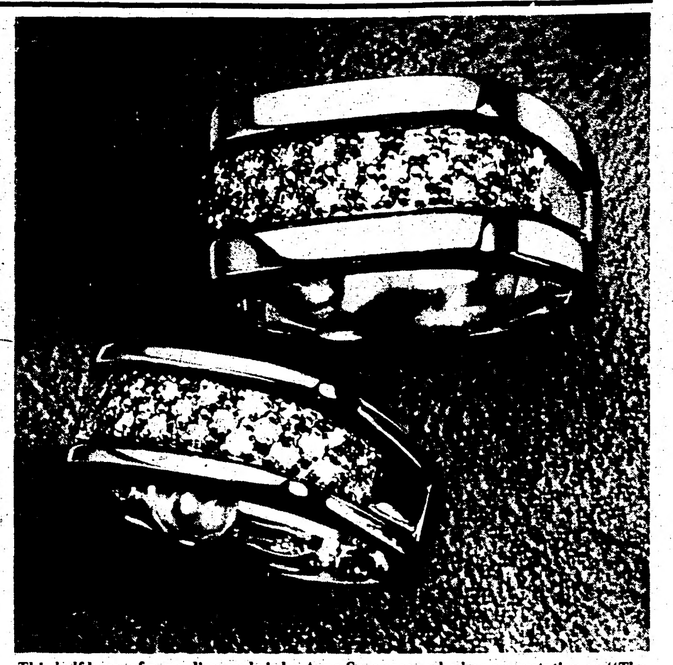
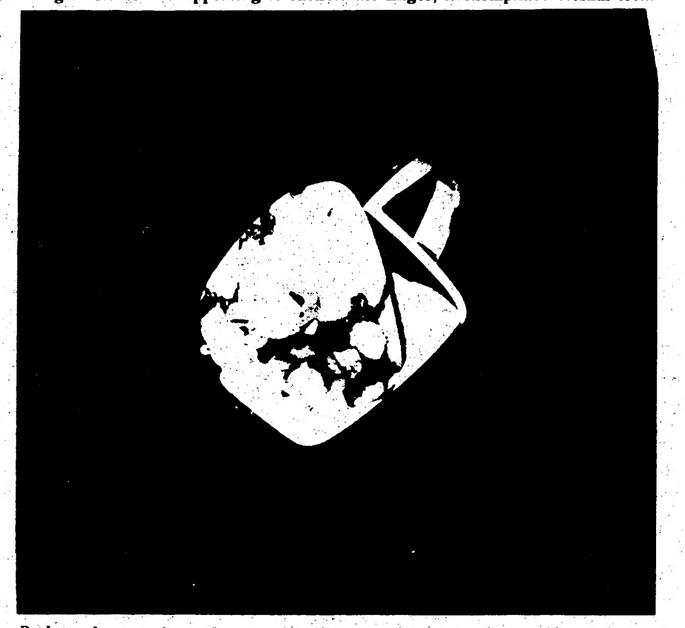


This half hoop of pave diamonds is by Arne Sorensen, who has a reputation as "The King of Clusters". Appearing to encircle the finger, it exemplifies eternal look.



Perhaps the most beautiful of gemstone jewelry is the combination of color with the sparkling white of diamonds. Gemstone jewelry is also a sound investment.

CLUSTERS KING MAKES HIS MARK

Thirty years ago there was mass production of jewelry in Canada. Then the 1950s brought young blood to the jewelry trade with the immigration from Europe — the avant garde of the jewelry trade, and with them came Arne Sorenson. He started in the trade at Copenhagen School of Jewelry Design and after graduation was sent to the Phorzhien Higher Arts Craft School by the Jewellers Manufacturing Association of Copenhagen. Along with his peers, he spent his first 10 years in Canada working for different jewelers but was displeased with the quality and styles of the goods he handled, so he ventured out on his own.

A trip to Europe brought indifferent results. He decided to design his own line to satisfy his market's needs. Beginning as the "Jewellers Jeweller," he gained a reputation as "The King of Clusters" with the finery that comes from hand crafted care and quality gems. Arne Sorensen made his jewelry three dimensional and pleasing from all angles. One of his latest pieces is made of Chrysoprase and diamonds.

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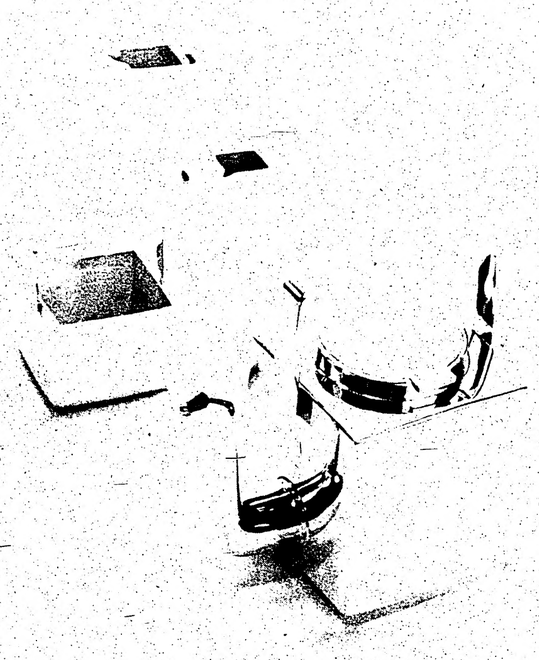

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It's important to create a look that's natural and still achieves an illusion of balance.

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Arts

A scene from Sheldon Rosen's Ned and Jack — the first production of Stratford's third stage this season.

With surgery 'Ned and Jack' may pull weight

theatre

By JENIVA BERGER

Sheldon Rosen is a Vancouver playwright who first attracted Toronto audiences some years ago with his comedy, **The Love Mouse.** In the last few years, however, Rosen's career has been blooming at the dynamic Vancouver Arts Centre, where he, along with other playwrights like Joe Wiesenfeld, have had the opportunity to develop new works.

Ned and Jack, the first production of Stratford's Third Stage this season, is one of those previously "workshopped" plays, produced by the New Play Centre in 1977. Next year, Rosen becomes playwright-in-residence at Stratford following Toronto writer, Larry Fineberg, and has been commissioned to write a new play.

Back to **Ned and Jack.** Rosen has fabricated an incident from an actual relationship which existed between the American actor, John Barrymore, and playwright, Edward Sheldon, in the early 1920s. Sheldon was, in fact, the first American playwright to introduce audiences to psychological realism and a great influence on Barrymore.

Enormously popular and undoubtedly ahead of his time, he was stricken with a crippling disease when he was 34, becoming bedridden and blind and never able to write again.

Rosen has picked up on Ned (Sheldon) and Jack's (Barrymore) friendship just at the point when Jack discovers his friend's incurable condition. Pouncing in on Ned just after his historical **Hamlet** opening in 1922, Jack has more recriminations than applause in his mind. He has put in a hard evening's work playacting, a harder one seducing one of the young apprentices in his company.

At the crest of his disenchantment with his life, his debauchery, and drunkenness, Barrymore's spirit is long past the waning stage. He's on his way to Hollywood, the last outpost, where he can become like all others "monkeys in the zoo."

The first act of **Ned and Jack** presents us with a sort of odd couple. Here is the self-deprecating Barrymore, so viciously witty, so theatrically gargantuan, and the gentle, withdrawn Sheldon, a picture of propriety, so orderly in his own emotions that he's even catalogued his incipient position of paralysis.

Very interesting this parallel: two geniuses in a state of decay, neither able to convey his feelings nor make peace with his innermost fears.

Though Barrymore is the more charismatic of the two, through the sheer force of his personality — Alan Scarfe here giving an energetic and skilful performance, especially in the first act — it is really Sheldon's story. It is his acceptance of Barrymore's declaration of love and the fruition of their long friendship, that sets him on a more peaceful course.

But Jack Wetherall as Edward Sheldon simply couldn't provide the right counterpoint to Scarfe's Barrymore: he was too bland to convey any emotion or nuance, and worse, his strange timing through the delicate exchanges between Sheldon and Barrymore destroyed the mood of the play.

In the first act, Rosen depends on a lot of one-liners which he writes well; good, pungent, crisp dialogue which moves the play along. Still, funny as the act is, there is no real focusing in on what these men are really about and what they need from one another.

Nothing truly prepares us for Sheldon's collapse into Barrymore's arms with what should have been the most powerful moment in the play. Instead, we chug along into the second act watching Barrymore wallow in his despair and Sheldon tear up — interminably — his last play. The climax disintegrates before it hardly begins.

Rosen basically has the makings of a very good play here and possibly a good commercial one as well. It is certainly an obvious star vehicle for two actors. With careful casting and some surgery **Ned and Jack** might pull its weight as a play with international appeal.

Top-flight performance, repertoire produce gripping cantorial concert

music

By RICK KARDONNE

The lyrical yet powerful voice of Cantor Misha Alexandrovich evoked a spontaneous standing ovation, in what was only one of many highlights at the 30th Yom Ha'azmaut gala concert at Beth Emeth-Bais Yehuda Synagogue.

Featuring Clive Dunstan's Toronto Concert Singers, a full orchestra and Cantors Alexandrovich, Louis Danto and A. Eliezer Kirshblum, with conductors Paul Hoffert and Milton Barnes, the concert thrilled a capacity audience, with top-flight performances and a most intelligent choice of repertoire.

Alexandrovich demonstrated his vocal power, fused with dramatic grandeur and Yiddishe tam, in his renditions of Knobelman's **Ki Lekach Tov** and Kwartin's **Uvyom Simchaschem.**

He then brought tears and joy with his performance of a montage of Secunda Yiddish folk and holiday prayer gems.

Danto's selection of Nowakowsky's **Adonai Zecharanu** was a good choice, for this is a masterpiece in the development of the choral fugue. The performance by Danto and the choir was perfect in technical execution and dramatic interpretation.

Milton Barnes' viola concerto variations on **Chad Gadya** featured soloist Nancy Mathis.

TORONTO JEWISH FOLK CHOIR: Highest praise goes to them and their orchestral ensemble, all under the leadership of Melvyn Isen, for their polished and gripping performance of Max Helfman's masterpieces, **Die Naye Hagode,** dealing with the Warsaw Ghetto revolt. Its 35th anniversary was thus so aptly commemmorated.

Musically, the composition evokes the mood of courageous defiance, linked to the seder (specifically, the **Ma Nishtana**). The stark atonalities of the battle scenes, linked to the intense emotions of wrath, rage, and reflective tragedies, were encapsulated by a great variety of orchestrations: from loud brass dissonance, to the pensive pathos of a solo clarinet, to a soft, mournful string counterpoint.

It's a fairly difficult work from any choral standpoint, and for this amateur ensemble to have performed this piece was an ambitious undertaking which totally succeeded.

The choir needed stronger microphones in order to have been more clearly heard above the orchestra. Rose Kashtan's brief narrative passages were appropriately intense and thus most convincing.

Special praise is also due to the soloists: the polished, sweetly expressive soprano Wendy Cladman and the rich, vibrant bass Peter Manierka, who, besides enriching the Helfman cantata, also highlighted the first half of the concert.

Cantor Misha Alexandrovich — gala concert performer

First English press at Oxford University still forward-looking

book review

By BERNARD BASKIN

The Oxford University Press: an Informal History
By Peter Sutcliffe
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One of the enduring glories of the press is the Oxford English Dictionary. More than a generation in the making, it was not completed until 1928. James Murray, an eccentric but indomitable scholar, devoted his life to this influential work.

The Canadian branch was founded in 1904 and will, this year, distribute the 800 titles that the press will publish. One of the most unusual books ever published by the Canadian branch appeared in 1971: **Pictures Out of My Life** by Pitseolak, in an English Eskimo edition.

Sutcliffe, in his readable survey, has concentrated on the last century. The many-sided story is told largely through the group of colorful and determined personalities who made sure, through the years, that the press remained true to its ideal and that the books were published. Nicolas Barker has edited a splendid illustrated history that will be of great interest to book lovers and students of the history of printing. The book also forms a permanent record of an outstanding exhibition of books mounted recently, among other places, at the University of Western Ontario.

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It's not really a city but a sprawl of interconnected communities with their own identities — Hollywood, with its hillside, white stucco houses and strings of big name boutiques; Beverly Hills, with its stately homes and well-coiffured gardens; Anaheim, where competing hamburger and tortilla joints, motels and hotels crowd around the 76.6-acre Disneyland; downtown Los Angeles, where broad boulevards and gleaming glass and steel buildings share city blocks with grafitti-smeared, decaying homes and Santa Monica, with the ocean sweeping a cool, clear breeze through majestic palms.

A mecca for tourists, star-gazers and young families with big motor-homes, the City of Angels offers glamor — though somewhat tarnished since the heyday of young Clark Gables and Joan Crawfords — a glimpse into the self-centred, tinsel life of the West Coast's "Beautiful People" and more crowded attractions per square acre than any single spot in the world.

Though a car is desirable, tour operations run efficiently and regularly, bridging distances and organizing a visitor's time, in this, the U.S.'s second largest metropolitan community with a population exceeding seven million.

Buses can whisk you to Mann's Chinese Theatre to compare your footprints with those of the stars; followed by a drive down Wilshire Boulevard, site of Sak's Fifth Avenue and an exclusive used car lot dealing in Mercedes, Jags and Rolls, and capped off with a visit to Farmers Market to delight your tastebuds with a sampling from 26 different restaurants.

Much maligned and often overlooked is the downtown core experiencing a renaissance since height restrictions in the earthquake-prone region were withdrawn. Dominating the skyline is the 51-storey Atlantic Richfield building with its twin towers and the world's largest subterranean shopping centre, spanning nine acres.

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Historically-minded travellers can trace back Los Angeles' Spanish roots and mission culture with a walking tour of El Pueblo de Los Angeles State Historic Park through to Olvera and Almeda Streets. Nearby is Chinatown, Dodger Stadium and Forest Lawn Memorial Park.

But the drawing card for L.A. is still Walt Disney's $183 million extravaganza in Anaheim, which has attracted over 165 million visitors since it opened its gates in 1955. Be well-prepared to spend over $10 a person, on the average.

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If you're still star struck: head out to historic Hollywood and Vine or Sunset Boulevard; stop in for dinner along restaurant row on La Cienega; catch one of the fledgling comics at the Comedy World cabaret; drop into Disco 9000, the swinging hot spot, according to one tour guide, or take advantage of free tickets to TV tapings.

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Leslie-Steeles. New 5 bedroom in quiet cul-de-sac on large ravine lot. Plush broadloom, 6 modern appliances, fixtures and window furnishings, maid's quarters, and other extras. Approx. 3,600 sq. ft., $225,000. Evenings and weekends, 494-7974, days 457-1660. 28

Skymark II
Private Sale
Don Mills-Finch
South-west corner suite, 2 bedrooms, 2½ baths, family room, enclosed and insulated sun room, large balcony, 2 parking spaces. 782-5171. 21

Finch-Bathurst
Private
Luxury townhouse in beautiful surroundings, 3 bedrooms, living room, dining room and family room, 2 balconies and walkout from family room, 2½ baths, central air and broadloom throughout. All appliances included. $85,500. 636-4450. 14

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Ravine Lot [65 X 205']
Finch-Wilmington area, luxury home, 5,800 sq. ft. $285,000. 499-4991. 14

Private. Townhouse, 3 bedrooms, fully broadloomed, many extras. Close to synagogues, school and main bus line. Bathurst-Steeles. $57,900. 225-0351, no Saturday calls. 14

Bathurst-Lawrence, $84,900. Bungalow, 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, panelled recreation, air conditioning, opposite parkland. 782-5155. 14

Huntsville Executive
Owner leaving country. 5 bedroom, 3 bathroom, 2 ensuite, 2 fireplaces, 100' lakefront, Lake Vernon 5 minutes from town by boat or car. 2-slip boathouse, also family or guest room above. 2 car garage.
Year 'round retreat or refined retirement. Brokers protected. For appointment to view, Huntsville 705-789-7473, Hamilton 416-525-0625. 28

Bathurst-North Y, spacious move-in condition, semi, 3 bedrooms, master ensuite, Hollywood kitchen plus 3 room ground level apartments. Separate entrance. $89,000. 633-3615. No Shabbos calls. 28

Bathurst-Wilson, 3-plex building, very reasonable. Close to synagogues and transportation. Private sale. 979-2688 days, 635-1569 evenings. No Shabbos calls. 14

Private sale. Open House Sat. & Sun. 2-5, reduced. Bungalow, 6 rooms, panelled den, sun room to garden, central air, conveniences. Immediate possession. 14

Thornhill
Wycliffe Olde Towne
Don Mills-Steeles
Elegant 2 storey, 4 bedroom, main floor family room, fireplace, upgraded broadloom and floor tile. Central air plus air filter. Close to TTC, schools, shopping, synagogue. Quiet street, landscaped, cedar fence. 881-8220, 889-1732 after 6 p.m. 14

Private — Bathurst-Sheppard
3 bedroom detached brick bungalow, basement apartment, lot 44x161', garage, driveway, broadloom, central air, appliances. $85,000. 638-6587. 28

Bathurst-Drewry
Custom built 4 bdrm. home, 3 baths, circular stairs, family rm., library, fireplace. Ideally located for professional. Brinwick Management Ltd., 223-7785.

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Spectacular Setting
Rosedale
$695,000. Luxurious to the last detail. Modern designer home in beautiful ravine setting. Offering 12,000 square feet of living space on multi levels with 12 rooms. For appointments, call Dorothy Menkes or Ethel Sapera, 225-8861.
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4 bedroom townhome, sunken living room, 3 appliances, finished rec room in basement, 2 washrooms, broadloom throughout. Close to transportation, schools, Markham Place Shopping. For appointment, call 449-4294 or 635-8822.
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Just Reduced
Wilmington & Sheppard Ave.
Lovely 12 room backsplit located in exclusive area. Double garage, 2 kitchens, 4 baths, family room with wet bar, 2 fireplaces, walkout, central air conditioning. Asking $149,900. Owner has bought unconditionally. Call M.A. Multari, 245-2700.
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Bathurst-Steeles. Quality large home in exclusive area. Easy walk to Orthodox and Conservative synagogues. Jewish pre-nursery and day schools, 2 shopping plazas, parks. One bus to subway. Kosher kitchen — gourmet's delight. Custom extras. 21

Sheppard-Wilmington
196 Codsell Ave. New 4 bdrm. 2 storey house, open stairway, fireplace, very modern home with many extras. Open house Sun. 1-5 p.m. Mr. Ivanovich, ofc. 635-8099, evgs. 633-3190.
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QUALITY HOMES

York Downs — E. of Bathurst
$104,900. Lovely centre hall, 2 storey, 3 bedrooms, 1½ baths, modern kitchen, attached garage. Area of beautiful homes, a real buy with quality extras. Mable Van-Lane, 449-2020.
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York Mills-Leslie
$174,900. Lovely 2 storey, 4 bedroom, "Menkes" home on quiet traffic-free street! Spacious living room, separate dining room, kitchen plus separate breakfast room, walkout to patio, main floor family, fireplace, 3 baths, central air, broadloom. Sally Hutson, 449-2020, 221-0492.
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Sandfield-Misty Cres.
$274,900. Fabulous ranch bungalow, pool-size garden, 4 bedrooms, family room, separate dining room. Much more. George and Annette Donnenfield, 449-2020.
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Zaharias-Chieftain
$369,000. Elegant 4-5 bedroom 2 storey. Family and library, gourmet kitchen, spectacular garden. George and Annette Donnenfield, 449-2020.
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Magnificent Family Home
$310,000. Georgian 5 bedroom 2 storey. About ½ acre property. Library, family room, 2 powder rooms. Fifeshire and Chieftain area. George and Annette Donnenfield, 449-2020.
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Forest Hill — Elegance
$279,000. Exceptional custom 2 storey family home in impeccable up-date condition. Gorgeous entry, outstanding spiral staircase, 22'x15 rosewood library, 4 king-size bedrooms, 4 baths. Beautiful decor, expensive inclusions. George and Annette Donnenfield, 449-2020.

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REALTOR 447-8503 INC
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An elite executive mansion, over 6,000 sq. ft., 4 bdrms. plus. Custom designed, built 1970, with quality & rich detail thru-out. Situated on a large lot & backs onto parkland. Irreplaceable at $475,000 asking price.
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Bathurst Manor
Finch & Bathurst. $118,500. Sparkling home, large 3 bdrm. plus. Den with w/o to patio & yard. Master bdrm. 17'x13' & 3 pce. ensuite. High & finished basement. Central air. 2 car garage. 64'x100' lot.
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Central & North & East
Fine homes, new or will custom build. For additional information, please call: Austin Fernandes, 447-8503.

Paul Slavens
Real Estate Ltd. Realtor
Bathurst-Glencairn
Love at first sight. This stunning home boasts 3 bedrooms (master ensuite), main floor family room, powder room, beautifully finished lower level, central air, double garage. Asking $156,500. Call Marlene Federman, 483-4337 or 636-9991.
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Lower Village Tudor
New exclusive. Impressive English Tudor on pretty tree-lined street. 4 bedrooms, modern kitchen, charming living room with open fireplace, central air, double garage. Asking $179,000. Call Harold Hillman, 483-4337 or 881-7523.
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Forest Hill Georgian
Classic centre hall home that will attract those who appreciate elegance & comfort. Large formal living & dining rooms, gourmet kitchen, den, open fireplace, 4 bedrooms, 4 baths, central air. Priced well below market value for quick sale. Call Rose Caplan, 483-4337 or 783-3879.
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Christine-Betty Ann
Newly listed. Spacious home with 3 or 4 bedrooms (master ensuite), lovely main floor family room with walkout to private treed garden, central air, double garage. Call Don Wagman, 483-4337 or 493-1960.
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Bayview Bungalow
Asking $94,500. Beautiful ranch style — with 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, private study, finished lower level — all on 150' lot. Call Dorothy Zeifman, 483-4337 or 789-9328.
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Forest Hill — 5 Bedrooms
Unique & different 2 storey home. Contemporary design, inviting den, breathtaking kitchen, main floor family room with walkout to garden, central air, double garage. Walking distance to synagogues & all conveniences. Call Eleanor Stanton, 483-4337 or 445-0923.
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North "Y" — Fantastic
Picturesque ravine setting — will accommodate swimming pool or tennis court. 5 or 6 bedrooms, 4 baths, huge principal rooms. Superb family room plus rec room, walkouts, central air, double garage. Call Shirley Bassin, 483-4337 or 638-3339.

HOUSES FOR SALE

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Near Hillfield-Strathallan Colleges. Six main floor rooms surrounding a circular staircase, plus 4 upstairs bedrooms. 3,300 sq. ft. of elegant living. Heater concrete pool, change house. Accessible to hospitals, university and synagogues. Call Marilyn Levy, (416) 526-9451 collect for more information and quote file number Z-500. Levy Real Estate Limited, Realtor.

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Old English Lane
$599,000
Indoor pool plus tennis courts. Dramatically different. Architecturally designed, double height beamed ceilings, dream kitchen, maid's quarters. Charming home on 1½ acres. Landscaped property with stream. Hillary Cohen, 226-9440.
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York Mills-Leslie
$228,000
Most exciting custom contemporary 2 storey, 4 bedroom finished basement, pool, private garden. Don't miss viewing this home. Michelle Noar or Honey Rose, 226-9440.
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Walk to Shul
4 bedroom executive, 2 storey home in the most prestigious Bathurst Manor location, inviting entrance hall with fine marble floors. Featuring: main floor powder room and fabulous library. Master bedroom has additional sitting room with built-ins, finished basement. $195,000. Harvey Kalles, 226-9440.
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Misty Cr.
Ultra Modern — Pool
$450,000. Marble floors, chrome, steel & white arborite kitchen, sunken conversation pit, spiral loft staircase from family room to upper level library, 4 bedrooms, all with ensuites. Quality materials & imaginative design. Elise Kalles, 226-9440.
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Bayview-Old Colony
Bungalow — $205,000
Situated on superb lot. This spacious 4 bedroom, one level ranch features: family room, den (3,000 ft. living space), exquisite decor and many extras. Eva Cohen, 226-9440.
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North "Y" — Bathurst
Gorgeous Pool
$210,000. Backsplit 4 bedroom, large kitchen, elegant living and dining rooms, spectacular family room and den with walkout, finished rec room and maid's room. Bea Estrin, 226-9440.
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Bathurst-Finch
Ravine Lot — $199,000
5 bedrooms, 2 storey, truly an elegant home with spacious principal rooms, main floor laundry and family room, walkout from beautiful finished lower level, 4 washrooms. Anne Kirshenbaum, 226-9440
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Banbury-Heathcote
Reduced $172,900
Beautiful 4 bedroom executive home, original owner, large kitchen, pine panelled main floor family room. Decorated for the young at heart. Hillary Cohen or Bea Estrin, 226-9440.
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Spectacular Indoor Pool
Ravine Lot
$359,000. A dream come true in this modern masterpiece. Featuring 4 bedrooms, sauna, teak kitchen overlooks family room, separate self-contained suite, 3 car garage. Call Harvey Kalles, 226-9440.
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Bayview-Steeles
6 Bedroom
$164,900. 6 bedrooms on upper level, main floor family and laundry rooms, fabulous rec room with walkout. Very well maintained. Honey Rose, 226-9440.
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Bayview South of York Mills
$219,000. No expense has been spared in the construction of this brand new 4 bedroom home. Magnificent living room with fireplace leading to extra large dining room with walkout to deck and pool sized lot. Main floor family room, exceptional master bedroom suite. Call Hillary Cohen, 226-9440.
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Don Mills-Steeles
Simonston — $114,500
4 bedrooms, main floor family room with walkout, 2 storey Tudor home, 2 car garage. Move-in condition. Carol Sherkin, 226-9440.
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Forest Hill Contemporary
Just Reduced — $249,000
Custom built 2 storey, 5 bedroom, 5 baths, super modern kitchen. Grand size entertaining rooms, fully equipped, carpeted and draped. Ready for the discriminating family. This home must be sold. Elise Kalles, 226-9440.
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Park Lane Circle
Distinctive Contemporary
$1,300,000. Pride of architects, builder, decorator and owner went in this fine custom mansion. Indoor pool, over 2 acres full of astonishments. Elise Kalles, 226-9440

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Gorman Park
Deluxe Home!
New 4 bedroom two storey. Open spiral staircase, ultra family sized kitchen, master bedroom walkout to terrace. Richly panelled family room, 4 washrooms, main floor laundry room. Finished to your choice of tiles, floors, extras. Asking $165,000. Rose Simon, 633-7777.
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Charlton Blvd.
Luxury Backsplit
Spacious 8 room home in spotless condition. Large kitchen with walkout to patio, cathedral ceiling, open staircase, panelled family room & den, 3 washrooms, finished basement with bar and complete kitchen. Central air, double garage. M. Jacobs, 633-7777.
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Lawrence-E. Bathurst
Impressive Bungalow
Move-in condition! Stone front luxury home, attached garage. Elegant living & dining rooms, gourmet dream kitchen, king size master bedroom, 3 pc. ensuite. Gorgeous family room plus wet bar plus apt. in lower level. Central air. Thousands $ in extras! Rose Stone, 633-7777.
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Bathurst Manor
Sidesplit — Pool
Spacious 7 room home. Family room, modern kitchen, panelled rec room with bar, central air, 3 washrooms. Heated pool, 2 cabanas. Owner must sell! Evelyn Pollock, 633-7777.
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Antibes-Forest Hills
3 Bedrooms
First time offered! Asking $70,500. 2 storey townhouse. 5 appliances, exquisite broadloom, finished basement. Beautiful decor! Early possession! Ruth Trachter, 633-7777.
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Bathurst-Lawrence
2 related families can live in this 1½ storey home. Separate entrances & bathrooms. Owner anxious to sell! Nat Stein, 633-7777.
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Wilmington-Brighton
65' Frontage!
Deluxe 3 bedroom bungalow, new kitchen, completely finished basement. Separate 2 car garage. Gorgeous lot! Millie Jacobs, 633-7777.
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Purdon-Evanston
Modern Sidesplit
4 bedrooms, 3 washrooms, large kitchen & breakfast area. Walkout from den & rec room onto 2 patios. Ravine lot! Broadloom throughout, central air, appliances. Double garage, close to shopping, schools, TTC. B. Jesin, 633-7777.
Rose Hersh Ltd. Realtor

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Bathurst-Lawrence
$60,000 Down
Elegant 3-bdrm. sidesplit, gracious living-dining rm., spacious family rm., panelled den, walkout to Florida rm., appliances, central air, automatically controlled 2-car garage. Sally Rosen, 223-6800. N.S. Smith, Realtor.
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McNicoll-Don Mills
$69,900. Spacious 3-bdrm. 2½ storey, sparkling interior, separate living-dining rm., large kitchen, finished rec rm., fenced garden, central air & many extras. $8,000 down. Sally Rosen, 223-6800. N.S. Smith, Realtor.
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Lawrence Manor
Just reduced to $71,900. Sparkling 3-bdrm. Cape Cod, large mature garden, 2 baths, garage, good location. Sally Rosen, 223-6800. N.S. Smith, Realtor.

LIL RUSH
Bathurst-Steeles $154,900
Exquisite 8 rm. backsplit, ultra-modern oak kitchen, 6 appl., 3 baths, master ensuite, family rm., finished bsmt. Central air, double garage. Backs onto greenbelt. Move-in condition. Mrs. Strom, 636-5200.
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Bathurst-Finch
$5000 down. Lovely 3 bdrm. 2 storey townhouse, garage, 2 baths, appliances, finished bsmt. 9¾% mortgage. Excellent value. Mrs. Hurowitz, 636-5200.
Lil Rush R.E. Ltd. Realtor

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Realtor
Bathurst-York Downs
$83,900. Solid brick detached 3-bdrm. Huge living & dining, rec rm., garage, large lot, 1 open mtge. Near TTC. Mr. Seidman, 635-1170.
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Bathurst North — Best Buy
$25,000 down. 3 or 4 bdrms., custom-built; ultramodern kitchen, 2-car garage, bath ensuite. Den with built-ins, professionally finished bsmt. Near schools, TTC & shops. Mrs. Seidman, 635-1170.
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Bayview-York Mills
$224,900. Wilket Rd. Executive 4-bdrm. sidesplit, 150' frontage, 3 walkouts to huge private lot, 2 fireplaces, large family rm. w. wet bar, panelled library, finished lower level. Trudie Wolfish, 635-1170.
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Fontainbleau Dr. $84,900
2 storey, 4 bdrms., 3 baths, panelled den, finished bsmt., 5 appliances, cent-air, owner leaving country, must sell. Iris Weinbrum, 223-2110.
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Sunnycrest Rd. $122,500
4 bdrm. split level on greenbelt, huge kitchen, 5 appliances, built-ins, panelled bsmt., dble. garage, owner leaving country. Joel Kaplansky, 223-2110.
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4 Bedrooms $83,500
Leslie-Cummer, huge lot, quiet crescent, spacious bdrms., walk-in closet, 4 pce. ensuite, stone fireplace, dble. garage, cent-air. Must Sell! Joel Kaplansky, 223-2110.
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Desirable Briar-Hill
$125,000. Outstanding centre hall home, large entertaining liv-din rooms. Bright kitchen, 3 large bdrms., main floor powder room. Mrs. Colman, 783-3333.

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Cozy Family Home
Forest Hill
$209,000. Totally renovated and updated 4 bedroom set on a park-like lot. Main floor den and walkout to large deck. Immaculate move-in situation. Near schools, synagogues, transportation and shopping. Call Dorothy Gordon, 921-1116.
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$225,000 Duplex
Hidden Treasure
Tucked away in the Republic of Rathnally, 1 bedroom main floor apartment plus no-care garden. Enter through a private entrance to a 2 storey dwelling with 3 bedrooms, both covered and open patios, Roman bath and more. Dorothy Gordon, 921-1116.
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Prime Location
At St. Clair and Avenue Rd.
$187,500. Compact contemporary design, semi detached 3 bedroom townhouses waiting to be luxury custom finished in your own style. Price includes 5 appliances and sauna. For private showing, call Dorothy Gordon, 921-1116.
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Heath St. West
$175,000. Interesting 3 storey, side centre hall plan, 4 bedroom plus study plus library with open brick fireplace. Fabulous living room (with open brick fireplace). All appliances, steps to Yonge and St. Clair. New roof. Dorothy Gordon, 921-1116.
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$175,000
Moore Park
4 bedroom townhouse. Move-in condition. Many built-ins. Instructions are, sell!! Make an offer. Double garage, double drive. Dorothy Gordon, 921-1116.
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$159,500 — Bayview-Finch
5 Bedroom Beauty
Priced to Sell
Doctor's Home
Situated on quiet cul-de-sac, this backsplit has luxury family room, library, in a park-like setting. Ideally located for schools and synagogues. To view, call Dorothy Gordon, 921-1116.
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Forest Hill
$750,000. Spectacular 6 bdrm home that combines all the old charm restored, and everything new and modern for the most discriminating taste. Immaculate with stain finish woods galore. For appointment, call Dorothy Gordon, 921-1116.
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$359,000
7 bedrooms — Gothic mansion. Beautiful woods and beamed ceilings. Updated kitchen and includes all appliances. Heated pool. Unbelievable park-like setting on 115' x197' lot. At Forest Hill and St. Clair. Dorothy Gordon, 921-1116.
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McGill — $159,500
Out of the Ordinary
A Little Out of the Usual Way
Price reduced to sell! First class renovation with 5 bedrooms and generous living space in the heart of the city. Walk to theatre, concerts and restaurants and join the entrepreneurs of the city. Dorothy Gordon, 921-1116.
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Scenic on Donwoods Dr.
Super lot, 60'x227' at $139,000 with building permit ready for your dream home. For further information, contact Dorothy Gordon, 921-1116.
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Arabian Splendor
$2,750 per month. Will rent this totally renovated Eastern Potentate abode with oversized luxury features including a ballroom. Suitable for spectacular living, consulate, or just somebody adventurous. Call Dorothy Gordon, 921-1116.
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Best Buy
Charming 2-bdrm. condo, west exposure, eat-in kitchen with window. Many extras, rec centre. Easy financing. Bathurst-Steeles. Anna Koci, 630-8700.

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Bathurst
$129,900. Detached brick 2 storey 4 bdrm. executive home. Family rm., central air, 3 baths, 20' Las Vegas kitchen, gorgeous finished bsmt. 2 car garage, in-ground pool. Paul Pister, 224-2800.
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Bayview—$145,900-$240,000
From York Mills to Steeles magnificent 2 storeys, 4 baths, family rms., fireplace, finished bsmt., central air, underground sprinklers. Owners leaving country. Must Sell! Ahuva Benegbi, 224-2800 or 630-4852.
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Bayview Ravine
$225,000. Tremendous 3,600' custom contemporary 2 storey, central air, plush broadloom, oak kitchen, spiral stairway, library and family room, walkout basement, mature trees. Tami Gringorten, 224-2800.
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Bathurst — Palace
172 ft. deep ravine lot, executive hand sculptured 2 storey, spiral stairway, high ceiling, 4 bedrooms, 5 baths, finished walkout basement with sauna and all the works. Unbelievable bar-room, several fireplaces. Could not be duplicated for selling price. Ahuva Benegbi, 224-2800 or 630-4852.
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Don Mills-McNicoll
$73,900. Super 4 bdrm. air conditioned 2 storey semi, 18' kitchen, rec room, garage, many extras. Maxine Povering, 224-2800.
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Fairview Mall Executive
$127,900. First time offered! 4 bdrm., 2 storey luxury home, den, balcony, 3 baths, plush broadloom, appliances, central air, 2 car garage. A. Benegbi, 224-2800.
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Bayview — $79,500
3 bdrm. bungalow plus finished bsmt., central air, back onto park. A-1 condition. Mary Fenyes, 224-2800.
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Quiet Cul-De-Sac
Beautiful 3 bdrm. family home in desirable area. 76' frontage. Vendor must sell! Julius Spira, 224-2800.
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Prestige — Leslie-Steeles
Brick 5 bdrm. 2 storey, immaculate condition. 3 baths huge dream kitchen, main floor laundry and family rm. super fireplace, 2 car garage, central air. Many expensive extras. Stu Farb, 224-2800.
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Leslie-Van Horne
Oversized 4 bedroom, 2 storey linked home featuring finished basement with cold storage, broadloom throughout, walkout to gorgeous garden, large eat-in kitchen with nook. Priced to sell at only $80,900. For

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Bayview-Cummer - Immaculate 4 Bdrm. Townhome
Opposite Pickle Barrel Plaza, walk to Orthodox Synagogue, main floor den, walkout to private garden, close to everything. Anna Socket, 226-6390.

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"The Courtland" Condo
Bright & sunny 2 bdrm., Florida room. 1,460 sq. ft., 2 washrooms, 5 appliances, mirrored, plus many extras. Vendor transferred. Asking only $69,900. Mrs. Feldman, 226-6390, 661-7416.

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Lawrence-Bathurst Cape Cod Styling — $72,900
Spacious six room house on super lot, double garage, close to Orthodox Synagogue, shopping, TTC & schools. To view, call Anna Socket, 226-6390.

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Beautiful Bungalow Bayview-Steeles — $79,900
Close to Orthodox Synagogue, TTC, shopping & schools, loaded with extras, sauna, air, appliances, upgraded broadloom, mirrored doors. Anna Socket, 226-6390.

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Bathurst-Eglinton Walk to Spadina Subway!
Sparkling clean 3 bdrm. 2 storey. Central air, attached garage, close to schools, shopping, synagogues. All amenities, move-in condition. Mildred Cappe, 226-6390, Rudy Carli, 661-5270.

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Bathurst & Wilson Walk to Synagogue
Det. 3-4 bdrms. Super split-level living. Very large principal rooms, ensuite, w/o to 50x155' lot. Residential cul-de-sac family home. Ruth Straughan, 226-6390.

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Coreydale The World of the "Elite"
3 air conditioned levels of luxury living, spectacular entrance to sunken living rm., dining at its best for guests & gourmet cooks, lower level for entertaining. Unusual architecture makes the pool area one of a kind, not for everyone just for that special "someone". By appt. only. Mr. Soberman, 226-6390.

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Bathurst Village First Offering
One of a kind in this convenient area. Spacious rms., king size bdrms. Family room leading out, expensively landscaped garden, panelled den, dream kitchen, fin. lower level with maid's quarters. Mrs. Feldman, 226-6390, 661-7416.

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Bathurst-Steeles
4 bedroom, 2 storey, main floor family room with open fireplace and walkout to patio, large bright kitchen, king size master with full bath ensuite, circular staircase, attached double garage. About 6 years new. Call Mrs. Rybak, 789-7138.

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Bathurst-Lawrence
Beautiful 3 bedroom bungalow, completely finished basement, 2 open fireplaces, lovely garden with fruit trees. Make an offer. Helen Arbus, 789-7138.

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Bathurst-Wilson $69,900
Solid brick 5 room bungalow, attached garage, pool sized lot near all conveniences. Mrs. Rybak, 789-7138.

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2 Stores Plus 3 Apartments
Eglinton-Spadina Expressway. First time offered! Garages. Mr. Bitton, 789-7138.

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Bathurst-Steeles
Beautiful detached 3 bedroom bungalow, gorgeous large Hollywood kitchen, king size master with ensuite, 2 other baths, completely finished 5 room basement with wet bar and kitchen. Attached double garage, broadloom, drapes, central air, near park, schools and all conveniences. Don't miss it! Mrs. Rybak, 789-7138.

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Bathurst-Glencairn
Solid brick bungalow, pool-size lot, finished basement, attached garage, steps to synagogue and all conveniences. Mrs. Solnik, 789-7138.

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Bayview-Cummer
Spacious ranch bungalow, party-sized living and dining room, huge master with ensuite, 2 other baths, completely finished walkout lower level, 2 open fireplaces, broadloom, drapes, appliances, central air. For more details, call Mrs. Rybak, 789-7138.

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Marcia,
I'm glad you brought me to the last Jewish Connection dance. Steve and I will be there on Tuesday, July 18.
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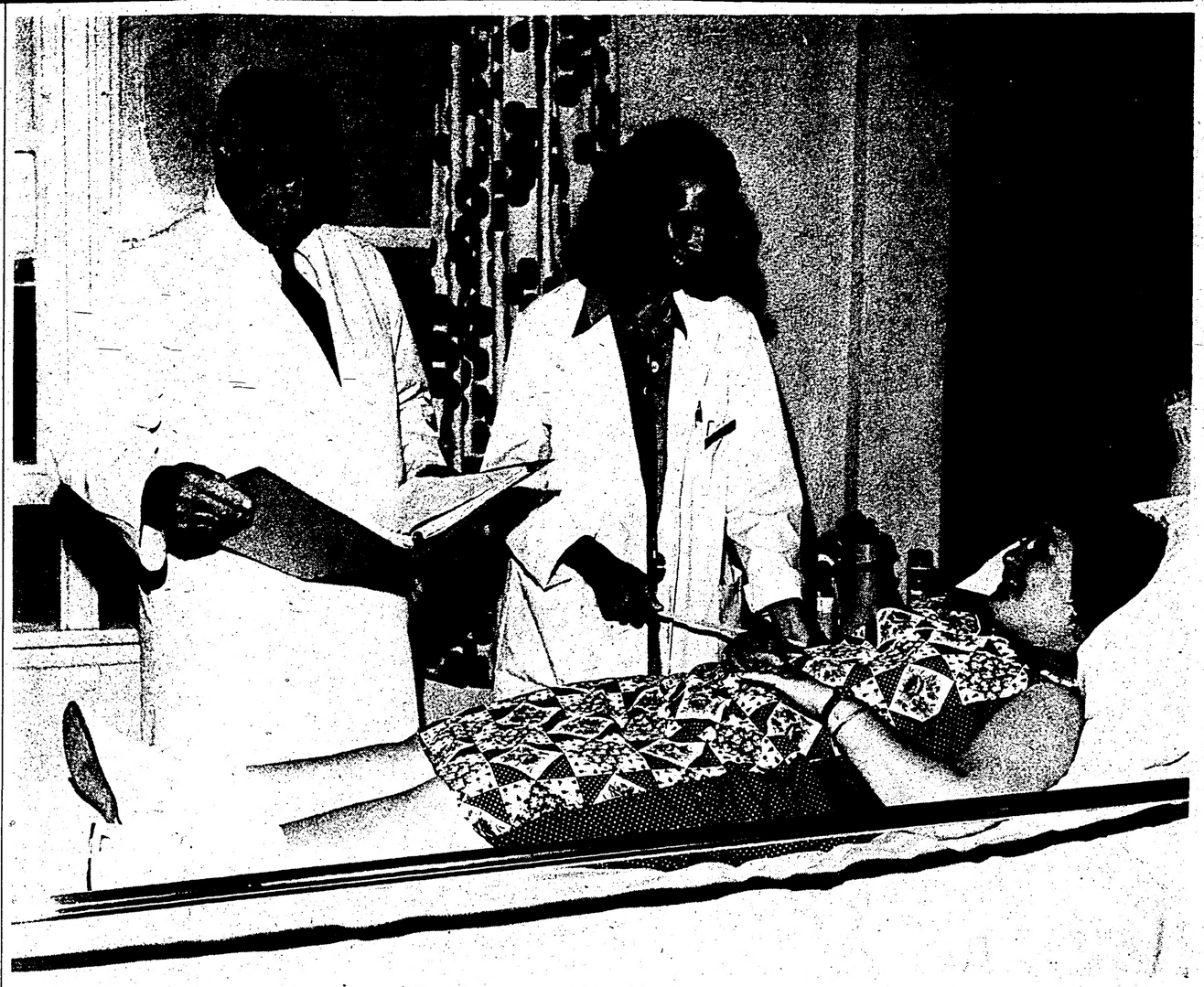

Christine Smith tests the reflexes of Baycrest Hospital patient Judy Mazlaun during rounds with Dr. Henry A. Himel. Ms. Smith is the first recipient of a scholarship, established by the board of directors of Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care, to provide experience in geriatric medicine for medical undergraduate students.

Itinerant Cohen digs roots

By EDWARD HILLEL

MONTREAL — Leonard Cohen, touted as one of the most powerful writers of this generation, "a man-of-the-world," "a Canadian Bob Dylan," and "un enfant terrible," is without question one of Canada's most accomplished artists — a poet, novelist, composer, and singer.

His most recent effort, an album entitled **Death of a Ladies' Man,** has attracted mixed reactions from critics and listeners, placing Cohen once again in the limelight of controversy and interpretation.

"There have been different reactions to my album," Cohen explains, "people really don't know how great or how bad this album is. There is no doubt that it is a little classic, but it'll be difficult for a lot of people to accept, especially my old fans."

No matter. In the end, an artist is measured by what he chooses to share with us. And throughout the handful of books and albums that Cohen has produced since 1956, he has relentlessly explored his innermost feelings and emotions, and unselfishly bared his soul with disarming honesty.

Born in 1934, Cohen is a native Montrealer who has had a "typical English Montreal education — Protestant school board, McGill University." He dropped out of graduate school at Columbia University in New York, and lived alternatively on the Greek island of Hydra and Montreal, with short sojourns in New York and Los Angeles.

After living the life of a traveling troubador for many years, Cohen hints at strengthening his roots here: "I am looking for a place to put up stakes and Montreal appears to be it."

His wife, Suzanne, (not to be mistaken for the song **Suzanne,** which catapulted Cohen to fame as singer-composer), and two children Adam, 5, and Lorca, 3, live separately. Cohen is opting for the quiet solitude of a cozy, but relatively bare, flat east of St. Lawrence Boulevard, "a romantic, vibrant multicultural community, but we better not tell too many people."

Cohen's affectionate devotion for his family is manifest in his writings. His first book of poetry was dedicated to his father; his first novel to his mother.

"My grandfather, Solomon Klinitsky, wrote a thesaurus of Talmudic interpretations, as well as a lexicon of Hebrew homonyms," offers Cohen with obvious respect. "He lived in New York where he was the principal of a school. He was a rabbi, not in the ritual sense but in the scholarly sense. An impressive man." (Cohen dedicated his second book of poetry to him).

(Brian Boyers photo)

Leonard Cohen chats with CJN interviewer in the kitchen of his Montreal home.

His poetry is grounded in a melange of Buddhist ethics and the kabbala. He honors his Jewish upbringing and has drawn on those cultural and moral roots for much inspiration.

"No matter how distorted or grotesque the interpretation of Judaism, something of its authentic power and nourishment comes through, so long as a person has been taught to honor this tradition," he comments.

Regardless of the tradition that an artist draws from, honest self-expression is a labor of love and hate, always demanding total concentration from the creator. On the poetic form, Cohen says: "I don't think anyone should try to be a poet; this is a verdict, not a vocation. Learn to write carefully and accurately about your interior condition, if that is what preoccupies you.

"But to try and defend your life as a poet against anti-poetic and philistine forces is a great mistake, and one that is amplified and encouraged in universities. In other words, a poet versus something else. This is an infertile idea. Forget about the title; just do it."

It is an irony that Cohen has received less recognition for "doing it" on his home ground than in Europe where he is somewhat of a cult hero (especially in France). His concerts have been termed hypnotic, smoldering, and seductive, mostly due to his personal appeal and the flavor of his music.

"I think that my music does not have either deep black or white mainstream American roots," he reflects. "The European tradition is more accessible to the idea of a 'chanteur.'"

Now the poet has come home. In an age where universal recognition inevitably begets an inflated ego, Cohen still lives simply, and follows a personal code of ethics. He is regenerating ties with his family, once-familiar surroundings, and close relationships faded by time and distance. And he contemplates the plight of his country.

"Is the situation really that bad?" he asks, "Is the man on the street in any worse position here in Quebec than elsewhere?

"It is inevitable that Quebec will separate. A nation should assert itself and define itself as such. It entails a certain inflamation of nationalism and racism, but it has many virtues also.

"Greeks, Italians, Jews, Portuguese — none of Quebec's minority groups can be content with the nationalist evocation germinating in Quebec."

The destiny of the country is somewhat obscure, according to Cohen, but this forces people to act, to explore various possibilities.

"The idea of separatism has a finality about it that I don't think is accurate. There will eventually be some kind of redefinition."

Windsor's community council elects Putterman as president

By ANITA HURWITZ

WINDSOR — Bernard Putterman has been elected president of the Windsor Jewish Community Council at its annual meeting. He replaces Herbert Brudner.

Putterman came to Windsor from Ottawa 25 years ago. A member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario, he served with the taxation division of Revenue Canada before he entering private practice. Presently, he is a partner in the firm of Putterman, Moser & Co.

Elected with Putterman were: vice-presidents, Lottie Benholtz, William Silver, and treasurer, Harold Taub; Richard Rosenthal and secretary, Alan Orman.

Joseph Eisenberg, executive director of the community centre, gave his 20th annual report at the meeting.

Canadian Jewish identity, he said, "must be conceived in religio-national terms...The individual, particularly our youth, get disconnected and lose their sense of identity."

Eisenberg stressed that the family, as "an emotional cushion," should provide a milieu for the individual's self-discovery. "But even the Jewish family, for generations, the cornerstone of the Jewish community and its continuity," can no longer be assumed to be steadfast.

He emphasized the need for a "program of Jewish identification" in which institutions accept a responsible position with one definite viewpoint — that of assisting our youth to achieve their identity. This process of rediscovering "the long Jewish historical experience" he hoped will also involve parents.

The annual meeting also provided the opportunity to introduce the community to Jerry Solomon, the centre's new program director. He is from Toronto.

Organizations and People

(Graphic Artists photo)

Morrey Solway (left), newly elected president of the Jewish Vocational Service, is congratulated by his predecessor, Joseph Skolnik, at the agency's annual meeting held recently at the Baycrest Terrace residence.

Bonds picks apparel 'man of year'

TORONTO — Sam Yurman, executive director of the National Apparel Bureau (Ontario) Corp., has been chosen man of the year by the apparel division of Toronto State of Israel Bonds.

There will be a dinner in his honor Sept. 12 at which time he will be presented with the Ben-Gurion award. Wilfred Sarner, divisional chairman announced recently.

Yurman, who is a lawyer, has worked with the bureau almost since its inception and according to Alex Richman, a past president, "no one stands higher in the estimation of the textile industry, manufacturers and retailers alike, than Sam Yurman. We know of no man worthier of this honor than Sam. Simply stated, to know him is to love him."

(Leo Hausman photo)

Sam Yurman

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Wilfred Sarner

"I see this 30th anniversary year of Israel's statehood as a time of special dedication every where in the Toronto Jewish community," Yurman says. "All elements of our communal, religious, civic and business life should be urged to take part in a milestone effort for Israel."

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Vocational service is success according to annual report

TORONTO — The slack in the general economy, more competition for fewer jobs and greater selectivity on the part of employers are major challenges confronting the Jewish Vocational Service.

These factors were emphasized in a series of progress reports presented at the agency's annual meeting at Baycrest Terrace last week where Joseph Skolnik was elected president, succeeding Morrey Solway.

JVS served 4,345 clients during 19[illegible] through its counselling, rehabilitation and placement facilities.

Elliot Eisen, JVS placement centre vice-president said despite adverse economic conditions, the agency's people-finding services through placement counselling decreased minimally in 19[illegible] as compared with the previous year.

Eisen said the improvement was due in large measure to a Canada Works Project grant from the Canada Employment and Immigration Commission which enabled JVS to add to existing placement centre staff.

The agency's Educational Counselling Centre, funded by Toronto Jewish Congress, is entering its 15th year of operation, serving seven Hebrew day schools with a combined enrolment of more than 5,000 students from kindergarten to Grade 12.

A staff of educational counsellors and remedial specialists who work under the supervision of a psychologist visited the schools each week.

Also offered is a course in career guidance and planning for Grade 12 students at Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto which advocates "[illegible] course in its curriculum."

In his report to the meeting, Eisen singled out the successful course of studies organized by members of the Alpha Omega Dental Fraternity to prepare Russian dentists for the Canadian National Dental Board examinations.

Approximately 5 dentists instructed them time, two nights a week, and were involved in planning lectures, tutoring and examination preparation. Four of the five Russian students who wrote the examination in May passed.

JVS officers and directors for 19[illegible]-79 are: Joseph Skolnik, president; David A. Rubin, Michael Stemberg, vice-presidents, Richard I. Krelstein, treasurer, and Sandra Brown, secretary. Chairman of the nominating committee is Robert Hall.

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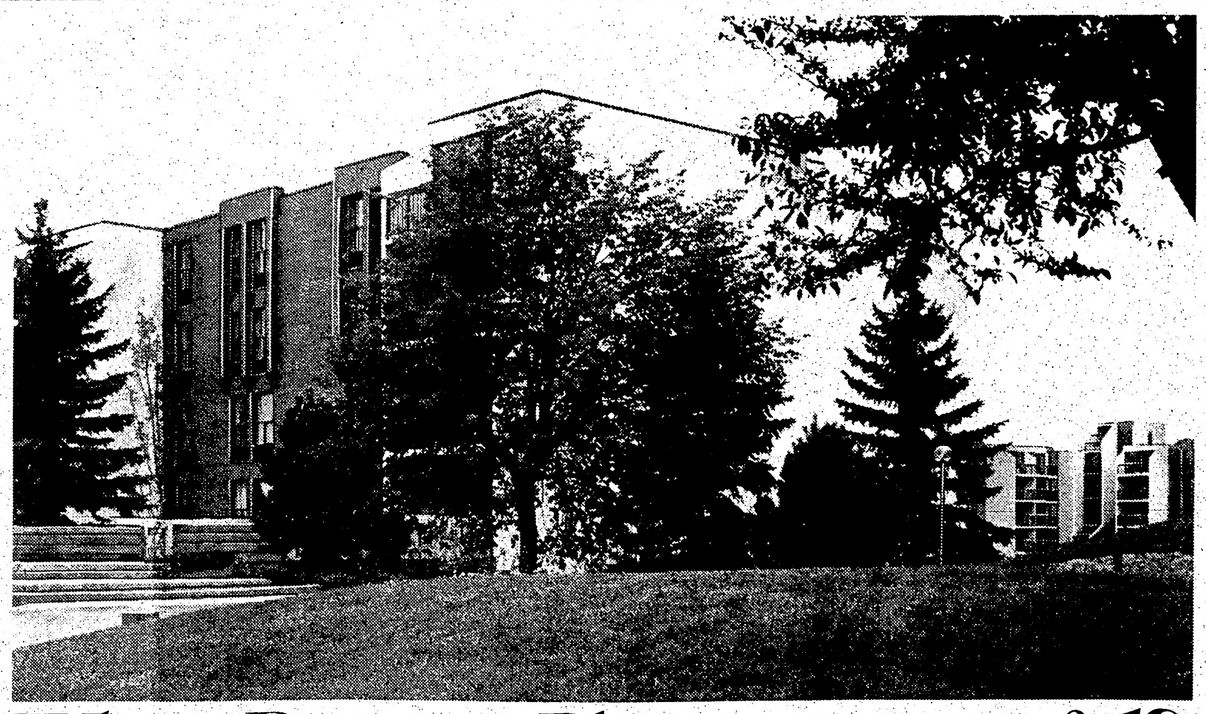
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